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OUTLINES.

Resulting from the premature explosion of 22 tons of dynamite at Bas Obispo, 30 miles from Colon, yesterday, ten persons were killed and 15 injured——The confession of another alleged night rider held in connection with the depredations near Reelfoot Lake, Tenn., will lead to the arrest of men not even under suspicion——The 16th International Six-day Race at Madison Square Garden, N. Y., was won last night by Floyd MacFarland, the veteran bicycle racer of California——President-elect Taft is considering a trip to Panama before his inauguration, the journey being regarded as essential to the success of the big enterprise of his administration. If he determines upon the trip he will leave the port of Charleston, S. C., the last week in January——Fleming Smith, a druggist, was murdered last night at Jesup, Ga., by Sheriff Lyons and son——Three men were killed yesterday at Mount Vernon, Ill., by an explosion in the Rend mine——Mrs. Cora Whitney, wife of Casper William Whitney, editor of the Outlook Magazine, was granted a divorce yesterday at Omaha, Neb.——The judge presiding has postponed the sentence of Ruef until he could read the records in the case——An Illinois judge holds that a member of the State Guard, who commits a homicide while in the performance under orders of a superior officer is not to be held guilty of murder——The Gridiron Club of Washington gave its annual dinner last night. The recent political campaign gave it plenty of opportunity for good hits——Congressmen have decided to act deliberately in the matter of the President's attack on that body in his recent message——The guns and ammunition for Roosevelt's African hunt have been prepared in New Haven, Conn., and sent to Washington——There was a tie vote in the House of Representatives yesterday which the Speaker broke by voting for the bill after he had ordered a recapitulation against which there was a protest——New York markets: Flour quiet. Wheat barely steady, No. 2 red 1.07 to 1.08 1-2 elevator. Corn easy, No. 2, 66 to arrive elevator. Oats firm, mixed 55 to 55 1-2. Rosin steady, strained common to good 3.25 to 3.30. Turpentine quiet 42 1-2. Cotton quiet, middling uplands 9.10, middling gulf 9.35. Money on call nominal, time loans firmer.

A New Jersey town has installed women police—a practical use of women's clubs.

If Taft wants to post himself on cabinet work in the South he ought to visit High Point.

Wonder what sorts of Christmas presents Roosevelt intends giving the members of his Ananias Club.

You newspaper men who are feeling blue just about this time of the year remember that Champ Clark was once a country editor, and take heart.

We are afraid our friends in Europe are doomed to disappointment if they expect Castro to settle "cash down on the nail" before he starts for him.

Haiti's new President will expect the United States to back him up with the Monroe Doctrine in his repudiation of all foreign accounts.

All parties concerned in the Panama canal purchase controversy are entitled to a full investigation in order to ascertain which side is telling the truth.

It looks like Holland has decided to get even with Venezuela while the latter's President is on the other side of the ocean having a personal tussle with the French authorities.

Judge Neal's very short notice to the Governor of his intention to quit the bench has created a stir among the lawyers of the Eighth Judicial district. His was an unusual proceeding.

Isn't it suicidal on the part of the South to seek every opportunity to give a slap in the face to the man who will be the Chief Magistrate of this country for the next four years just because he is a Republican?

The Charlotte Chronicle wants to keep the bitulithic plant in operation in that city all Winter. It must expect to soon take into its corporate limits several North Carolina counties and a good slice of South Carolina territory.

The National Rivers and Harbors Improvement Congress did not get much satisfaction out of Speaker Cannon when its committee presented those resolutions to him. Blessed are those who do not expect much for they shall not be disappointed..

Roosevelt says he would not have acted as Bryan and given his hunting jacket as a peace offering to a wounded Mexican bear, with whom he had come in close quarters, but would have slapped Bruin over and told him to behave himself.

TO MEET IN RALEIGH

North Carolina Conference to Meet Next Year in The Capital City.

MA[illegible]EPORTS ARE HEARD

Strong Presentations of Cause of Trinity College and Maxton Institution—Laymen's Movement is Organized.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Durham, N. C., Dec. 12.—With all branches of its work unusually well advanced, the North Carolina Methodist Conference decided by unanimous vote this morning to meet next year in Raleigh, which tendered a very cordial invitation.

Today's sessions were without special interest except in the hearing of various reports of the work, all of which were very gratifying. C. R. Ross, of Western Carolina; O. W. Dowd, of Montana, and W. B. North, of the St. Louis conference, were transferred to the North Carolina conference. C. C. Brothers was placed on the superannuated list.

The reports of special interest considered were those on Bible Cause, Church Property, Epworth League and Methodist orphanage.

Dr. D. B. Zollicoffer, of Weldon, was elected leader of the Laymen's movement and General Julian S. Carr chairman of the Executive Committee.

There were especially strong presentations of the work at Trinity College by President Kilgo and Rev. Euclid McWhorter, the moving spirit in the Carolina Methodist College at Maxton.

In presenting the report of the orphanage today Rev. J. N. Cole advocated the establishment of a Methodist hospital in the conference.

The board of education recommended that conference raise $7,500 to complete the claim of Greensboro Female College to the $100,000 Carnegie endowment and the appropriation of $3,000 to Greensboro and $5,000 to Trinity College. Report adopted.

A communication from the Baptist State Convention was read urging all possible to be done to make more effective the prohibition laws of the State.

This afternoon Mr. John R. Pepper, Mr. J. Campbell White, Mr. C. H. Ireland and Dr. Zollicoffer were the speakers at important sessions of the laymen's movement.

Religious services were conducted at the opening this morning by the venerable Dr. Betts. In the organization of the laymen's movement W. H. Humphrey was elected vice leader and L. B. Pegram secretary. Pledges of $2,500 were made for carrying on the work next year. The meeting next year will be with Edenton Street church in Raleigh.

AN INTERESTING DEBATE.

Exercises Friday Afternoon by Amy Bradley Literary Society.

The Amy Bradley Literary Society of the Wilmington High School held a very interesting debate on Friday evening on the query, "Resolved that Cuba should be annexed to the United States." The affirmative was ably championed by Messrs. Joel Merriman and Sherman Schulken while the negative was defended by Messrs Vaughn Smith and Gregory Davis. The judges, Messrs. Archie Craft, Fred Hale, Jr., and Louis Pleasants, gave the decision to the negative but awarded the distinction for excellency of debate to Joel Merriman, who made a very fine address. There were also excellent declamations during the evening by Messrs. Nick Post and William Lord. The Society is doing splendid work in the school and the students are taking much interest.

A Wilmington Inventor.

The Mount Olive Tribune of the past week says: "Mr. N. J. Northam, of Wrightsville, near Wilmington, spent Thursday of last week here, shaking hands with his many friends and acquaintances. Mr. Northam has recently perfected, and has patented, a very useful improvement in the shape of a scissors sharpener, which will soon be placed on the market and will no doubt result in large financial returns to the inventor. It is a very simple device, but is the most complete instrument for the purpose intended that we have ever seen."

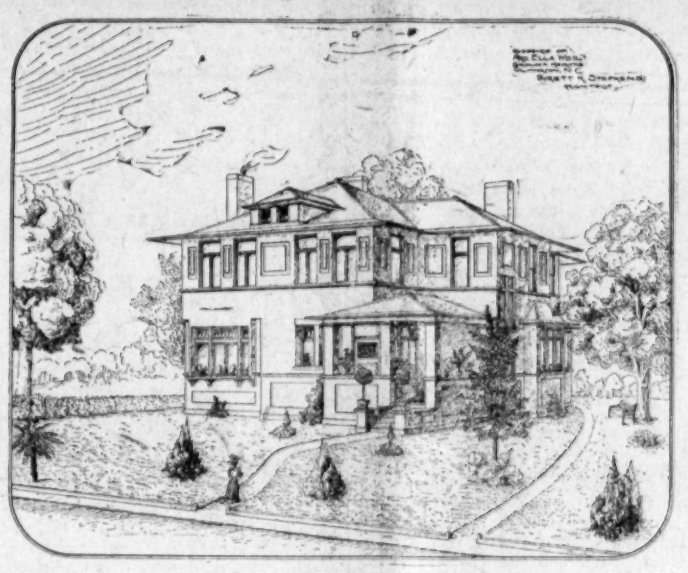
"Little drops of water, little grains of sand," etc.

The world would not be without these little particles. Our fund for the help of and the stamping out of the dread White Plague, which is a menace to humanity, can't be as great as we expect without your help. Stamps one cent each. For sale at all drug and book stores and the Woman's Exchange. Buy one, two or one hundred as you are willing and able to help us. Others who have joined the long list of Red Cross stamp users are J. W. Fleet Co., I. Shrier, Junction Restaurant, O. H. Wright & Co., H. L. Vollers, Hall & Pearsall, Jno. W. Plummer, Jr., and the Wilmington Brokerage Co.

Pony rigs and pony saddles. City Livery Co. **

Go to Rehder's for toys. **

RESIDENCE OF MRS. ELLA WEILL.



The above is an excellent illustration of the handsome residence recently completed for Mrs. Ella Weill in Carolina Heights, according to plans and specifications prepared by Mr. Burett H. Stephens, the architect and engineer. It is a modern picturesque design with Old English and French designed windows and doors and is one of the prettiest residences in this fashionable suburb.

The exterior of the residence is completely in stucco in heavy proportions with heavy projecting cornice. On the first floor, Octagon shaped, are reception hall, living room, library, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, pantries, etc., with spacious front and rear porches. The parlor and library have genuine mahogony mantels with cream white satin finished tiled hearths. The reception hall and dining room have massive press mantels of special design. The interior finish is of North Carolina pine in dark stains and wax finish. All rooms have quarter-sawed, golden oak parquetry floors. The hardware throughout the house is of solid bronze and finished to correspond with electric fixtures, all of special design. A notable feature throughout the house is the absence of curves, all mouldings, etc., being formed with square angles. On the second floor are five well-lighted large sleeping rooms, bath rooms, etc., the residence being not only one of the prettiest but one of the most convenient in the entire city and a fine example of the character of building now going on in Carolina Heights.

THE BAPTISTS ADJOURN

Great Convention In Wilson Now a Part of History—Better Support For Ministry—Tender Resolutions Adopted.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 12.—The last day of the Baptist State Convention found a small crowd in attendance, many of the delegates having left on the morning trains. However, those who remained entered into the proceedings with feeling and spirit and a most interesting session was held.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. White, of Greensboro, during the progress of which he called upon the various ministers present to quote that sentence from the Bible which had given them the most comfort and spiritual help and solace. Many responded and quoted sentences and made very feeling remarks thereon.

After the service, President Carlyle called the convention to order. The minutes yesterday's proceedings were read and approved. A letter from the venerable F. M. Jordan was then read in which he sent love to the convention, telling them that he was confined to his bed with a fatal disease and would never be with them in a convention on earth but would meet with them in the general convention in heaven when all the Saints would meet God in His glory. Dr. Huffham then offered a resolution of great tenderness and sweetest sympathy for Mr. Jordan in his illness and that was feelingly endosed by all present. A purse was then made up for the aged minister and Dr. Huffham was requested to send it with the tender resolutions which he had offered.

President Carlyle called Mr. Harris to the chair and as a layman introduced a resolution calling upon the churches to pay their pastors better salaries. No minister took part in these proceedings but many laymen did and spoke vigorously in commendation of the resolution, which was passed.

The next thing on the programme was a report sent by Professor Beach of the State High Schools, as to the possibility of the Convention's establishing and sustaining a secondary Baptist School. This led to a heated discussion in which a number made strong and forceful arguments for and against the report.

Quite a number of the delegates are returning home but most of them will remain over to hear the farewell sermon tomorrow by Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky. The benediction was pronounced upon the convention just before final adjournment by Dr. Huffham.

Rev. Livingston Johnson, corresponding secretary, has been given four weeks vacation with full pay. The board of trustees of the Baptist University were authorized to take steps to raise an endowment of $100,000. The time of the meeting of the convention is changed to the Tuesday after the first Sunday in December. These are among some of the noteworthy actions by the convention just before adjournment.

FEDERAL COURT MONDAY

Fall Term Convenes Tomorrow, Judge Edmund Waddill, Jr., of Virginia, Presiding—Docket Light. Interesting Suit.

The Fall term of the United States District and Circuit Courts for the Eastern District at Wilmington will convene tomorrow morning promptly at 10 o'clock, Judge Edmund Waddill, Jr., of Virginia, presiding in the absence of Judge Purnell, of Raleigh, whom friends will regret to know continues quite ill.

As previously stated only about 60 cases are docketed, which is about half the number usually for trial at the Fall term and none of these is important. District Attorney Skinner and Assistant District Attorney Giles have been in the city several days getting the docket in readiness and Judge Waddill will arrive on the morning train tomorrow from Norfolk. On the Circuit Court docket one interesting case for trial is that of T. M. Thompson against Maj. Harmon, U. S. A., involving the title to about 300 acres of land in the Fort Caswell reservation at the mouth of the Cape Fear river. The plaintiff will be represented by John D. Bellamy & Son and the interest of the government will be looked after by the District Attorney and the Assistant District Attorney, who have spent much time in the preparation of the case.

On the District Court docket the usual large number of retailing cases will come up. Cumberland will send down a large contingent this afternoon, the cases including those growing out of the recent blind tiger raids in Fayetteville by South Carolina detectives who will be here as witnesses. The jurors summoned for the term are from the 11 counties in the district, those from Wilmington being T. F. Bagley, John E. Taylor, A. D. Brown, J. W. Murchison, Wm. Gilchrist, J. H. Boatwright, H. F. Wilder and C. W. Bishop.

AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE.

Little Folks Crowded Pretty Theatre. This Week's Bill.

The children's matinees at the Crystal Palace yesterday afternoon were a great success. Hundreds of little folks crowded the pretty little theatre and the actors made special effort to please them, which they did to the point of delight. Little Miss Pearl Hall was awarded the pretty little doll and Master Mark Noble received a pretty horse and cart.

The bill this week will be up to the same high standard, headed by the Musical Smiths in a fast and furious comedy sketch with elaborate staging; Miss Daisy Lee, singing and dancing soubrette, and Sid Barker, in trick acrobatic work which captured Charleston last week. Patrons this week in honor of the yuletide will be awarded three large, fine turkeys according to a plan which will be announced from the stage from day to day. There is no advance in the small prices.

Pony rigs and pony saddles. City Livery Co. **

Men's Holeproof Socks reduced to $1.50 a box. J. W. H. Fuchs. **

COURT TERM ENDED

Verdict For Murchison National Bank Against The Dunn Oil Mill Company.

CALL OF MOTION DOCKET

Several Divorces Granted and Number of Orders Made in Other Cases Not For Trial at This Term—Notes.

After the jury had returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the case of the Murchison National Bank, of this city, against the Dunn Oil Mills Company and a call of the motion docket had been completed, a recess was taken in Superior Court yesterday forenoon, the term expiring by limitation last midnight, Judge Lyon leaving on the afternoon train to spend Sunday at home. This week he goes to Kinston to hold Lenoir Superior Court.

When court convened yesterday morning the trial of the Murchison National Bank case was resumed with His Honor's charge to the jury, which was brief and to the point. The jury remained out about an hour and returned a verdict for the plaintiff for $5,000 and interest at 6 per cent. from Dec. 29th, 1903, the whole amounting to $6,481.66, but nothing against the defendant J. D. Barnes, who was authorized to recover of the plaintiff his costs. To that part of the judgment in favor of defendant Barnes, the plaintiff excepted and appealed to the Supreme Court and an appeal was likewise noted by the defendant Dunn Oil Mills against the judgment in favor of the plaintiff. The latter appeal was upon a motion by the defendant to set aside the verdict on the first, second, fourth and fifth issues on the ground there was no evidence to support said issues in favor of the plaintiff. The motion was refused and defendent excepted. Then there was a motion for a new trial on the ground of admission of improper testimony, the refusal of His Honor to non-suit the plaintiff at the close of the testimony and errors in the judge's charge to the jury and for denying the challenge of Juror Sam Bear, Jr., all to be assigned in detail in the statement of case on appeal. The motion was refused and an order was made for the appeal.

Other cases disposed of yesterday were not important and appear from the record as follows:

Judgment for divorce was granted in cases of J. D. Doscher against Annie E. Doscher, Winnie Hill against Henry Hill and E. G. Polley against Amanda M. Polley.

In case of S. McD. Tate, treasurer, against Junius Davis, receiver, an order was made to dispose of the odds and ends in controversy.

Action of J. H. Sloan against J. L. Hines was abated.

Non suits were entered in cases of G. Ober Sons & Co., against C. H. Cable and others; David Moore against Annie Waddell; T. L. Owens against J. A. Taylor; E. R. Brocket & Co., against J. O. Bowden, Geo. W. Brunson, Jr., against R. P. McClammy; T. J. Deberry against Louise Deberry.

Continuances were made in cases of Louisa B. Smith against Susan E. Moore and others; McNair & Pearsall against Wiley Thompson; Rheinstein Dry Goods Co., against H. A. Townsend; R. N. Sweet against Castle Mfg. Co.; Chas. Wessell against Lena Wessell; Lena Wessel and others against Annie Howard; W. B. McKoy and others against C. Williamson and others; Mary E. Irving against Pembroke Jones and others; Mary A. Lillycrop against Woodmen of the World, Frank Jones against Catherine Holloway and others; W. J. Reaves and others against W. B. Simmons; Frank Gough and others against Monira Lumber Co.; Puffer Mfg. Co., against Jno. F. Garrell.

Action was ordered abated in cases of Thad F. Tyler against Geo. T. Bland, F. W. Damer against T. H. Pegram.

An order was entered in cases of J. H. Dunton against Sarah Holland; W. H. Chadbourn and others against Brunswick Wood & Coal Co.; Warren Johnston against Johnson Dry Goods Co.

Motion by defendant to non suit in case of Vance Cottle against L. Garcia was continued to next term.

Cases of J. H. Gore, Jr., against E. A. H. Brink; Jas. Adams against Addie W. Adams; Fannie Flowers against Fletcher Flowers and Ed Herring against A. C. L. Railroad Co., were dismissed.

Final judgment was signed in cases of S. D. Taylor against F. T. Mills & Son; O. L. Clark Co., against Eccleston Lumber Co.; Clark McAulay & Co., against Eccleston Lumber Co.; Hester Brothers, O. L. Clark Co., and J. C. McKay & Co., against same defendants; Pearce Butler Mfg. Co., against J. A. Gregory; Hyman Supply Co., against Robt. T. Rankin; A. W. Pate & Co., against A. F. Messick; J. Irving Bear and others against Wm. Tiencken.

Case of Iredell Meares against Daniel Howard, executrix, was marked off.

In the case of Fred Balliere and others against the Atlantic Shingle Cooperage & Veneer Works, it was agreed that the judge may sign the judgment and find of facts out of term anywhere in the district.

Judgment previously signed in case of Hyman Supply Co., against Clear Run Lumber Co., was stricken out.

ADAMS IS APPOINTED

Carthage Attorney Named By Governor to Succeed Judge Walter H. Neal.

DAY'S DOINGS IN RALEIGH

Judge Purnell's Condition Not Improved—Charlotte Club Chartered—Messenger Boy Injured. Farmers' Congress.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 12.—The contest for the appointment of Superior Court judge of the eighth district to succeed Judge Walter H. Neal, resigned, resulted today in the commission by Governor Glenn of W. J. Adams, of Carthage, he having been a close competitor of Judge Neal when he was first appointed by Governor Aycock, nearly eight years ago.

The Governor went through a pile of letters and telegrams advocating both Adams and R. B. Redwine, of Monroe, for the judgeship before announcing the appointment. The new judge is a successful lawyer and has served in the State Legislature. He is about 40 years old.

The Governor devoted several hours to hearing delegations relative to the appointment of a successor to Judge Neal. Maxcy L. John, of Scotland, and U. L. Spence, of Moore, headed a delegation in the interest of Mr. Adams, and R. L. Stevens, of Monroe, headed a delegation in the interest of Mr. Redwine. Hon. A. M. Stack had been mentioned and there came to the Governor quite a number of letters and telegrams urging his appointment, but a letter came this morning from Mr. Stack saying that he was not a candidate and did not desire the appointment.

Judge Thomas R. Purnell, of the United States Court, continues very dangerously ill. In fact, there is little, if any, hope for his recovery. It is understood that his worst trouble is cancer of the kidney. There is also a liver complication. He has been able to take no solid food now for two months or more and is steadily losing streagth. Dr. McGuire, of Richmond, was called into conference with the local physicians the past few days and it is understood that nothing of an encouraging nature resulted.

The Southern Manufacturer's Club Co., Charlotte, received a charter today for the purpose of providing a club home, the corporation having authority to purchase or otherwise acquire real estate and do any and all other things not contrary to the general North Carolina corporation law. The capital is $105,000 authorized, preferred and common stock, the latter to not exceed $5,000. The incorporators are R. M. Miller, Jr., A. J. Draper and T. C. Guthrie.

Master Eddie Belvin, one of the brightest of the Western Union Telegraph messenger force, was terribly injured today by the collapse of his bicycle while he was running at high speed over the stone pavement of Fayetteville street. His face seemed to hit the cobbles first. Several teeth were knocked out, the chin bones were somewhat fractured and his face was badly cut and bruised. The bicycle frame snapped in two just above the shoulder of the fork in which the front wheel works.

The Raleigh Chamber of Commerce has succeeded in securing the 1909 annual convention of the National Farmers' Congress of which Col. Benehan Cameron, of this city, is president. The convention will open November 3rd. Eleven hundred delegates attended the convention this year at Madison, Wis.

The directors of the State Hospital for the Insane here will ask the Legislature for a special appropriation to install a water system and electric lighting plant. There is already ample power plant for the operation of both the water and the light plant, and the cost of the electric generators and the water apparatus will be small compared with the annual outlay now required to procure water supply from the Wake Water Co., and light from the Carolina Light & Power Co.

Assistant to Secretary.

Mr. Thomas A. Henderson has taken the position of assistant to Secretary J. F. Head, of the Chamber of Commerce, who recently succeeded Mr. James Duffy, the latter resigning to take a position as traveling salesman. Mr. Henderson has already entered upon his duties and has many friends in the city, who wish him every success in his new position.

A Holiday Hint

Suppose you go to the People's Savings Bank, and open an account in the name of wife or child. The Bank Book you receive will make a fine present. A small amount is all that is necessary. The bank will add 4 per cent. compounded interest.
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PELLAGRA.

Pellagra, this new disease, which is declared to be a cross on or a mixture of leprosy and two or three other as much dreaded diseases, has, according to public expression of opinion, chiefly in the papers of the North, taken fearful hold of the people in certain of the Southern States. If we believe what the northern press has to say on the subject this disease is playing havoc among the people of the South. Experts in new diseases has not yet decided the exact nature of this disease, though they have found out that it is almost as incurable as now is bubonic plague or as was smallpox before Jenner discovered vaccination. The only other thing so far discovered about the disease is that it is produced by eating the various southern dishes made from Indian corn.

From the time that Sir Walter Raleigh's first expedition landed on Roanoke Island in the sixteenth century and found old Manteo and his subjects growing Indian corn and thriving on its ashpone, corn dodgers and big hominy they have been considered the most wholesome dishes that people could put on their tables. Hardy men, engaged in "conquering the virgin forests" in the early day of America's settlement thrived on these dishes. For several centuries they graced the tables of the chief families of the colonies and subsequently of the States of the Union in the southern section of the Republic. During slavery days in the South the ashcake, the cornpone and big hominy were choice food for the slaves on the big plantations, and no healthier class of people ever lived. These were for several centuries considered as wholesome as they were known to be palatable food for the refined occupants of the "big house" as for the field hands and their wives and flocks of pickaninnies in the cabins in the quarter. They were wholesome southern dishes on which all classes thrived.

But presto change. There must be no more eating of these dishes. They are fatal to the mental and physical welfare of all who persist in the partaking of these old-time wholesome foods.

We do not know how to account for this change but in one way, as suggested by a gentleman on the streets yesterday that the corn products had become as rotten as most of the politics of the present day. If he be correct, then, the wonder is that pellagra is not more general all over the country and absolutely fatal in every instance, more especially at the North than at the South.

AYDLETTE EXONERATED.

In yesterday's editorial columns of this paper we made reference to an investigation which was being held in Greensboro by a special committee of the State Bar Association into serious charges that had been brought against a leading lawyer of the eastern section of the State. We are glad to be able to announce this morning that the lawyer has been completely exonerated by the committee, which, after thorough investigation has declared that there is no truth in the charges. None of the charges was sustained and the complaint was dismissed the committee having made a signed report to this effect to the Bar Association. This action of the committee was unanimous.

The accused, the Bar Association and the whole State are to be congratulated on this outcome of the matter. It would have been a stigma on the Association and on the State and would have been to the everlasting disgrace to the man accused had the charges been found to be true. The Bar Association committee gave the matter thorough investigation. It acted without fear or favor, without prejudice toward either side, and we feel sure it has rendered a just and fair decision. To it is due the thanks of the profession and of the general public for its careful investigation of the case.

If Charlotte continues to extend her corporate limits with the same rapidity she has in the recent past the News and Courier of Charleston will have to admit that Andrew Jackson's birthplace is within the boundaries of that city—and what a humiliation that will be to the South Carolina paper.

FORAKER SELF-EXONERATION.

At the time of the convening of congress it was announced by close personal friends of Senator Foraker that he was engaged in preparing a speech in defense of himself against the Standard Oil charges which had been brought against him and which he would deliver early in the session. It is said the Ohio Senator has taken very much to heart the charges which were made against him during the campaign for the nomination of a Republican candidate for the Presidency. He claims that he has been grossly misrepresented by members of his own party and that his employment some years ago as an attorney by the Standard Oil Company was not at all inconsistent with his duties as a member of the Senate. It is said the speech he will make and which he is preparing with great care will be decidedly sensational, especially in the parts referring to the course pursued by President Roosevelt as the champion of Taft for the nomination. Senator Foraker feels, whether correctly so or not, that he has for some time been the object of special personal and political antagonism on the part of Roosevelt because supposed to stand in the way of the latter's choice for the nomination for President. Foraker is not a man to easily forgive such conduct toward him or to conceal his feelings on such subjects or his opinions of the men he thinks have treated him wrongfully for selfish purposes. Therefore a lively time may be expected when he unlimbers his guns in the Senate and opens fire on the White House.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—There is already talk of Democratic candidates for Congress in the Eighth and Fifth districts, two years hence. There is time enough for that, and Democratis will do well to wait until 1910. Early candidate business may be killed by heavy frosts.—News and Observer.

—If Mr. Roosevelt and Messrs. Delavan Smith and William M. Laffan had all been residents of Nashville and had indulged the language used by them in characterizing one another published in the Associated Press dispatches, which would have been the assassin and which the assassinated?—Chattanooga Times.

—For that matter, what credit marks did the Sixtieth Congress earn in its long session? It had opportunities to be of real use to the country—in the matter of the currency, for instance— but what is there to show for them? It has been a shilly-shalling, politics-ridden, futile Congress; there will be no tears when it goes, and no flowers.—Hartford Courant.

—From Mr. Roosevelt's point of view as an advanced federalist and an instinctive imperialist, Washington and the District should be ideally governed. The people have no voice, there are no State rights to check the Federal arm, and the President and Congress have everything in their own hands. Why is the bureaucratic government of the District a public scandal on account of negro thugs? Though its inhabitants are to be pitied, the District of Columbia is a good object lesson, and one to be pointed out when the Roosevelts of the future propose to wipe State lines off the map.—Macon Telegraph.

—Among the members of the Lower House of Congress there is plainly manifested for Joseph G. Cannon, the Speaker, whom they call 'Uncle Joe", a sentiment of affection. The members of Congress, Democratic and Republican, as a rule, like him. In manners and appearance at least Mr. Cannon is democratic and his fellows in the House—those who have served with him—appear to be either unconscious or contemptuous of the lively resentment towards the Speaker that is scarcely concealed in any part of the country.—News and Courier.

TWINKLINGS.

—Fond Mother—Bobby, dear, you've forgotten your toothbrush. Bobby—But I thought I was going on a vacation.—Circle.

—Elizabeth—Are you fond of mothering? Mary—Oh, yes, indeed, and the constant osculation doesn't bother me a bit.—The Club-Fellow.

—"Have you read any of the recent fiction?" "I have read it all." "Where?" "In Dumas, forty years ago."—Boston Traveler.

—Editor—It may, of course, happen to any one, young man, that he has no ideas, but that's no reason why he should write a book!—Fliegende Blatter.

—"What's he doing now?" "Lecturing on 'The Decline of Poetry.'" "Wrote verses himself, didn't he?" "Yes, and they were all declined."—Cleveland Plain-Dealer.

—"In Oriental countries a man has as many wives as she can support." "As many as that?" "Yes. Don't you think we ought to send missionaries to them?" "Why not try milliners?"—Nashville American.

Trotter—When young Biffkins left college a few years ago he declared he was going to forge his way to the front. Did he make good? Homer—As a forger, yes. He's now occupying a front row cell in the penitentiary.—Chicago Daily News.

—Wife—You must give Cousin Kate something for Christmas, dear. It isn't the value of the thing, you know, but the thought. Husband—Umph! I guess it will be just as well if Cousin Kate doesn't know too much about the thought that will go with it.—Exchange.

—"If the human race was evolved from monkeys, it at least has the satisfaction of knowing that its ancestors were intelligent," said the thoughtful thinker. "How's that," queried the dense party. "They were educated in the highest branches," explained the t. t.—Kansas City Journal.

WEEK AT LUMBERTON

News and General Notes of Robeson County Seat—Wind and Rain Storm—New Court House About Ready for Occupancy.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 12.—The two weeks term of Robeson Superior Court, Judge Biggs presiding, is progressing fairly well, though it is expected the term will continue all of next week, several cases having been continued from this week in addition to cases already set for the second week.

The County Commissioners Monday elected Mr. D. B. McNeill standard keeper to succeed Mr. A. B. Small.

The largest audience of the season witnessed Ted Carlton in the comedy drama "Was She to Blame" at the opera house Tuesday night. If any show ever came nearer pleasing everyone present than did this one it has not come this way.

Miss Lillian Meares, stenographer for Caldwell & Carlyle, who has been sick with fever for some time, has suffered a relapse and is again very sick.

Mr. Archie Barnes, reported first of the week as injured while at work on the new Court House, is doing fairly well.

The Lumberton Steam Laundry, which has been idle for some time, has been thoroughly overhauled and is now in full operation.——Mr. C. B. Redmond, of the Parlor Grocery, received from Baltimore a few days ago a small shipment of apples grown in the new State of Washington. They were the most beautiful and sound ever seen here and retailed rapidly at five cents each. They were of the "Delaware Red" variety.

Upon the arrival of the early train from Wilmington last Sunday morning it was a remarkable fact that there was not a single passenger boarding it here. Conductor Beery stated that he had been running a passenger train on this division of the Seaboard over 20 years and it was the first time he ever left Lumberton going west without taking on a passenger.

The first official act of Register of Deeds Higley last Monday was to issue marriage license for a couple, the groom being 63 and the bride 42.——Just for getting good and drunk and noisy and getting locked up Saturday night, Mayor Pro Tem. Floyd fined a man $10 and costs, all amounting to something over $14.

If many of our people substitute coal for wood as some are doing, the prices for fire wood will have to come down a little.——Since the Raleigh & Charleston and A. C. L. began making connection at Proctorville a few months ago, there has been a big increase in mail handled on those two lines. It is said the transfer at Proctorville is not less than 300 pounds per day——Mr. Herbert Blue, engineer on the V. & C. S. railway moved this week to St. Paul's, his run making it necessary for him to stay there at night. Friends hope Mr. and Mrs. Blue will soon return to Lumberton ——Mr. J. Wesley White, of Wilmington, sang in the graded school auditorium Thursday night, delighting a small audience.

A negro caught in the act of stealing in White & Gough's department store Thursday afternoon was arrested and placed in jail. It took four men to overpower and hold him until an officer arrived, and placed handcuffs on him. It is said the same fellow was tried in the criminal court last month for stealing but the evidence was insufficient.

The County Commissioners will be in extra session Tuesday to receive the new Court House which will be ready for occupancy and a building which reflects great credit upon the grand old county of Robeson——Mr. Geo. B. McLeod, who has been very sick, we are glad to report as improved——Fine turkey gobblers retailed yesterday for $1.37 1-2. At the same time chickens sold as high as 60c each.——Mr. J. A. Bethea, postal clerk between Lumberton and Marion, has purchased from Mr. W. J. Britt, the residence now occupied by Mr. M. Beverly, 4th and Cedar streets, and expects to move in by the new year. It is probable that Mr. Beverly will move into the house now occupied by Mr. Bethea ——Mr. G. R. Schultz, chief clerk of the mail service in this State, was here Wednesday on his way to Marion, S. C., where he went on business ——Mr. Rudolph Carlyle arrived Thursday night from Wake Forest College and will remain at home until after Christmas——Mrs. Mary E. Sinclair, who has been visiting relatives here the past two weeks, returned to her home at Elizabethtown yesterday ——The town authorities are doing some much needed improvement in East Lumberton——Messrs. Caldwell & Carlyle will celebrate their 25th anniversary the coming week by having a "celebration sale" at which they propose to sell at greatly reduced prices ——Dr. Thos. C. Johnson has changed his residence from the Waverly hotel to the home of Mrs. Sue McLeod——Former Register of Deeds Nash has opened an office on the Shaw building for the practice of law. He will also write insurance——Those who depend on the town clock for train time or for going to meals, will de well to consult some other time. For several days the town clock has had no time—just strikes any old thing at no particular hour.

This section was visited last night by a heavy wind and rain storm, the wind at times attaining almost the proportions of a cyclone. By 5 o'clock this morning, however, the storm had passed and the weather was clear ——Miss Laurette Trout, who has been in the millinery department of Caldwell & Carlyle, left this evening for her home at Forest City where she will attend the marriage of a brother next week. She will remain at home during the holidays.

—It is immeasurably more to the material interest of the growers of peanuts that the policy of Protestion and the unequal distribution of governmental burdens which it inevitably entails, should be done away with than that the duties should be advanced. Even if those duties should be quadrupled or quintupled and every cent of the resultant benefit went into the pockets of the producers and stayed there, it would not begin to compensate for the additional cost to them of everything they have to buy, because of the protective tariff. In demanding to share in the spoils of Protection, they are but helping to fasten the Protective system more securely upon the country and so to postpone indefinitely the day of relief from the burdens and exactions now borne by themselves and eighty millions of other consumers.—Virginian-Pilot.

—The application of $500,000,000 to the improvement of the nation's waterways is a scheme of such gigantic proportions as fairly to stagger the imagination. But this is a great country with great possibilities, and the improvement of its internal waterways would make it rich beyond the dreams of avarice. In more than one occasion the Index-Appeal has urged improvement of the nation's internal waterways and county roads as of vastly more importance to the country, both in a commercial and military sense, than the Panama canal will ever be.—Petersbury Index-Appeal.

—The milkman stood before her nervously twirling his hat in his hands. "So," she said, sternly, "you have come at last." "Yes, madam. You sent for me, I believe," he replied. "I wished to tell you that I found a minnow in the milk yesterday morning." "I am sorry, madam; but if the cows will drink from the brook instead of from the trough, I cannot help it."—Harper's Weekly.

Where Bullets Flew.

David Parker, of Fayette, N. Y., a veteran of the civil war, who lost a foot at Gettysburg, says: "The good Electric Bitters have done is worth more than five hundred dollars to me. I spent much money doctoring for a bad case of stomach trouble, to little purpose. I then tried Electric Bitters, and they cured me. I now take them as a tonic, and they keep me strong and well." 50c at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

Toys, Fireworks. See Rehder's. **

If your face wants to smile, don't stop it.

This Is Smiling Time

—at—

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with a full stock of

Christmas Goods

in each department, and a real good share of the Christman shopping, we have cause to be pleased.

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From 9 to 10 A. M. every day this week we will sell Red Cross Stamps at

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"C" stands for Customers, pleased by the score,
Who do their shopping at The Little Store.
The proprietors' names are known near and far,
As Little Dick Platt and G. Henry Haar.

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They cater to all classes of trade.
At this store Santa has gone into camp,
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The cold weather will soon be here and you should be prepared for it by having suitable clothes.

Come in—look over our magnificent showing of fine clothes.

SEE OUR PRICES

We know you will be interested. We won't urge you to buy—we take pleasure in showing you such fine clothes.

Latest styles, Nobbish patterns, perfect fitting and workmanship equal to that of the very best merchant tailors.

Our line of Neckwear is the prettiest ever shown in the city.

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Phone 673.

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For Making Hat Pin Cases With.

Mixed Spices, 5 and 10c box.
Ground Sage.
Ground Red Pepper.
Ground Black Pepper.
Ground Thyme, and all such things for pickles, sausage, liver pudding, etc., and for seasoning the dressing of Christmas turkey, goose or duck.

J. HICKS BUNTING DRUG CO.

FRONT AND GRACE STREETS.

"The Store That Has Everything Anybody Else Has and Some Things Nobody Else Has.

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ALL NEED

A stimulant at sometime or another, therefore remember that January is not far off—and supply yourself while our stock of WINES AND LIQUORS is still complete and now selling at reduced prices.

Atlantic Cafe

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Opposite Union Depot.
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HAPPENINGS AND DOINGS

IN SOCIETY

By M. H.

Mrs. Robert Stocker, of Washington, D. C., is visiting her sister Mrs. Duncan Williams of this city.

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Miss Olivia Taylor, of Townsville, is expected to arrive shortly to visit Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Bellamy.

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Miss Annie Nash, of Tarboro, N. C., is the attractive guest of Miss Anita DeRosset where she will visit for several weeks.

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The Charlotte Observer of Friday says: "Miss Tallulah DeRosset, of Wilmington, is expected to arrive in the city soon to visit relatives."

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It has been noted with much pleasure by the numerous friends of Mr. Platt W. Davis, that he has been transferred by the Peruvian Guano Company from Charleston, and that in the future his headquarters will be in Wilmington.

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Friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Prince will be interested to learn that they left the city during the past week for an extensive trip through Texas. They will also visit New Orleans, Mobile, Birmingham and other cities, during their absence.

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It has been learned with pleasure by his many friends in this city, that Major C. P. Belles, who for many years past has held an important position in Washington, has returned to Wilmington where in the future he will make his home.

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Mrs. Kate T. Cumming and the Misses Burruss returned during the past week from Norfolk, Va., where they have been on a visit to Mrs. Burruss Corprew, for several months past. Their many friends are delighted to welcome them back to the city.

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Mrs. G. Herbert Smith entertained a number of friends on Thursday morning, of last week at her apartments at the Colonial Inn, in honor of Miss Mattie Jones, who is the guest of Miss Rowe Wiggins. There were two tables, and bridge was played, after which delicious refreshments were served.

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Miss Lilla Bellamy was the charming hostess of a very pretty, though informal Bridge Party on Friday afternoon, of last week, when a most interesting game was enjoyed by all of the guests. Miss Bellamy's gracious manner is an assurance that her guests enjoyed a most delightful afternoon.

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The many friends of Mr. Walter Kenly will be interested to learn that he left Lake Waccamaw during the past week, to engage in farming on the Eastern shore of Maryland, where with the productive soil and his untiring energy it is believed by all of his friends that his efforts will be met with success. The best wishes of all follow him to his new home.

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"The Sign of the Green Tea-Pot" in the parlors of the Colonial Inn, is growing steadily in popularity, and the charming young ladies of the Young Woman's Auxiliary, who pour tea every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoon, feel much encouraged at the success with which their efforts have been met. It has been decided to change the days to Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, instead of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday as before, for various reasons.

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Wilmington theatre-goers have been treated to may very good productions this season, but rarely has it been the good fortune of a Wilmington audience to greet a more charming actress than Miss May Robson, who was seen in the big New York success, "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary". It is one of those comedies that attract and hold one's attention from beginning to end, and an appreciative audience laughed and wept with the heroine throughout the evening, and there was no abating of the interest in any part of the play.

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On Monday evening of his appearance here, Dr. and Mrs. Russell Bellamy charmingly entertained a number of their friends at a delightful supper, which was given in honor of Mr. Paul Gilmore, and which took place immediately after the presentation of "The Boys in Company B," in which Mr. Gilmore delighted a large audience. Dr. and Mrs. Bellamy's guests were: Mr. Paul Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. G. Herbert Smith, Miss Annie Blount DeRosset, Miss Margaret Bridgers, Miss Sarah Kenan, Miss Lilla Bellamy, Mr. John J. Blair, Mr. Townes, and Mr. Jack Bellamy.

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Handsomely engraved invitations were received in the city during the past week, bearing the following formal announcement:

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Thompson Breazeale
invite you to be present
at the marriage of their sister
Carrie Belle McGee
to
Mr. Frederick Roudolph Mintz
Wednesday afternoon, December twenty-third nineteen hundred and eight at two-thirty o'clock
at their residence
Mount Olive, North Carolina.
At Home
after January first
Mount Olive, North Carolina.

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On Thursday last St. Agnes' Guild of St. James' Church, held its annual sale, which has grown to be one of the features of the Christmas holidays, and a feature which could scarcely be dispensed with by many of the ladies of this city, who always avail themselves of the opportunity offered them of procuring many pretty and useful articles. It will be learned with pleasure that the efforts of the members of this Guild were met with great success. Another attractive sale was given during the past week by the Ministering Circle of the King's Daughters, and this also attracted a large crowd of the fair sex, who were anxious to procure the many dainty articles displayed.

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Invitations as follows have been received in the city, which will be of interest to their many friends:

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Crosland
requests the honor of your presence
at the marriage of her daughter
Sarah
to
Dr. Lawrence Randolph Kirkpatrick
on the evening of Wednesday
the twenty-third of December
nineteen hundred and eight
at six o'clock
First Methodist church
Bennettsville, South Carolina.

Dr. Kirkpatrick is well known in this entire section of the State. He was graduated from Davidson College and has been practicing medicine successfully for several years at Maxton, N. C.

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The young people of Wilmington are looking forward with much pleasure to the many pleasant social gaieties which will take place during the Christmas holidays, not least among which will be the always delightful dances given by L'Ariosa and L'Agile German Clubs, in Masonic Temple Ball Room. It is also almost an ascertained fact that the Sigma Nues of this city will give a dance, during Christmas week, and already quite a number of Sigma Nues of other cities have made plans to be present on this occasion, and in addition to this there will be a large number of visiting young ladies present. If Madam Rumor is to be credited, there will be several other dances given during the holidays by prominent society folks, not to mention the numerous smaller and very delightful entertainments, which are always a part of the Yuletide gaieties.

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The past two weeks have been given up by the young ladies, as well as the older women of the various Guilds, almost exclusively to sales, teas, Christmas entertainments, etc., and card parties, luncheons, and such things have been put aside until after Christmas, when no doubt society will burst forth in a whirl of gaiety. A most successful sale was given last week by the Young Woman's Auxiliary of St. James' Church, and this was followed by a delightful Tea, by St. Agnes' Guild sale, the sale of the Ministering Circle of the King's Daughters, a delightful entertainment given by the Orphan's Aid Society on Thursday afternoon, at the Abbie Chadbourn Memorial Hall, of the First Presbyterian Church, and last but not least, the charming Japanese Tea, on Friday afternoon and evening, at the residence of Mrs. James F. Woolvin, given under the auspices of St. John's branch of the Junior Auxiliary. All of these have been marked by special features, which have made them most interesting.

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Mount Olive, N. C., Dec 12.—Thursday afternoon of last week was the occasion of one of the most enjoyable functions Mount Olive society has known for quite a while—both from the significance of the entertainment and from the charming manner in which it was carried out. This was when Mrs. M. T. Breazeale announced the forthcoming marriage of her sister, Miss Carrie Belle McGee, to Mr. Fred R. Mintz, the event to be solemnized on the 23rd of this month. The members of the Round Dozen Club, to which Miss McGee belongs, and several other friends, had been bidden by Mrs. Breazeale to an afternoon reception, the afternoon being the regular time for the club to meet. The usual routine of business and the programme were finished, and then the guests were invited into the dining room. On reaching the door the eye was greeted by the shimmer of white drapery, the dazzle of lights, a profusion of flowers, a doll-bride—and before one could grasp the meaning of the unusual decorations, there was thrust into the hand an announcement card in the form of a wedding bell, on which were painted the intertwined initials, F. R.M. and C. B. M., with the date, December 23, 1908. While all were disposing of the two course collation, served by Mrs. B. W. Southerland and Mrs. D. N. McGee, they had time to recover from their surprise and to observe the extraordinary beauty of the decorative scheme. Everything was in white. From the center of the ceiling yards and yards of filmy white chiffon were carried to the corners of the snowy table, forming a canopy above it. In the center of the table was standing a beautiful big doll, dressed like a bride, with veil and bouquet complete. Masses of Bloooming flowers stood all around the walls. In the refreshments, white prevailed; and on each little diamond-shaped cake lay a tiny wedding ring. These rings were retained as souvenirs. Mrs. Breazeale may always be depended upon to do the original in the entertaining line, but this affair was a long succession of happy surprises. More than ordinary interest is manifested in this approaching marriage on account of the social prominence of both parties. Mr. Mintz, the facile editor of the Tribune, is quite popular with the newspaper fraternity, as well as with a host of friends, every where he is known. Miss McGee is easily one of the State's most charming young women, beloved everywhere she is known and especially in Goldsboro, her former home, and in Mount Olive, where she has lived for the past several years.

Bankrupt stock of Millinery

Purchased By

The C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY

We will sell in our millinery department part of a stock of fine millinery, together with our entire stock, for one week beginning

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14th, to SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19th.

The stock consists of fine feathers, plumes, wings, flowers, ribbons and ornaments. Every trimmed hat in our store at half price. None laid aside; every hat will be for sale.

$30.00 Hats,	$15.00	$25.00 Hats,	$12.50	$20.00 Hats,	$10.00
15.00 Hats,	7.50	12.00 Hats,	6.00	10.00 Hats,	5.00
8.00 Hats,	4.00	6.00 Hats,	3.00	5.00 Hats,	2.50

OSTRICH PLUMES.
25 per cent. reduction.

$18.00 white or black, long fine Ostrich Plume, for $13.50
$12.00 black of white fine Ostrich Plume for $9.00
$8.00 black or white fine Ostrich Plume, for $6.00
One lot of fine colored Ostrich Plumes, worth $5.00 and $6.00 each. Bankrupt Sale Price, each only $3.00

25c — FELT SHAPES. — 25c
One table of fine French Felt Shapes, sold for $1.50 to $5.00, will be on a table for your choice at 25c

WINGS AND FANCY FEATHERS.
One-third off price.

Our own stock included in this sacrifice sale.
$2.00 Fancy Wings and Feathers..... $1.33
$1.50 Fancy Wings and Feathers..... $1.00
$1.00 Fancy Wings and Feathers..... 67c
75c Fancy Wings and Feathers..... 50c

Large assortment of Veilings in all colors. Nets, Dotted Veils, Chiffon Veilings, all go at a reduction of 20 per cent.

The entire stock of Velvets at greatly reduced price. Prices range from 50c to $3.00 a yard.

FLOWERS AND TRIMMED HATS.
Half off—Half off.

A fine assortment of Fine Imported and Domestic Flowers. Some of our own stock included, will be sold at half their former price. A rare chance is given you during this sale.

Every trimmed hat at just half price. Ladies, can't you use another hat at these prices?

35c, 50c and 65c Ribbons, all on a table at one price, per yard..... 25c

The sale will last one week. Come early and get your pick. No trading stamps in millinery department this week.

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY

A. SHRIER'S BIG SALE

TO CONTINUE

The coming week we will throw bargains at you that you cannot resist.

Last week you thought great, but this week will be greater, and you will be astounded at what we will accomplish.

Only a few days more and the sale will pass into history. Ever since this sale has started the store has been thronged with customers while the other stores were almost deserted. WHY? Because we are offering high-class men's, boys' and children's clothing, Hawes' hats, Regal shoes and gents' furnishings at such low prices that hundreds are taking advantage of it because of their knowledge of exceptional values.

ONCE WE START, WE KNOW NO STOPPING

and we have resolved to again wield the scythe and mow the prices closer and closer in a manner that seems beyond belief.

Schloss Bros. & Co.'s Clothing.	Hawes' Hats, $2.39	Regal Shoes, $2.98 and $3.48
Owl Brand and Jane Hopkins' Children's Clothing.	Monarch and Cluett Brand Shirts.	Fancy Vests—The Strongest Line in the City.

Low prices speak louder than words, so come and see for yourself and put us to the test.

A. SHRIER'S STORE

LOOK FOR THE BIG RED SIGNS LOOK FOR THE BIG RED SIGNS

$20.00---FOR TWENTY JINGLES---$20.00

In Last Sunday's Issue The Star Offered $20 for 20 Jingles. Below Will Be Found the Winners to Whom Money Will Be Paid Upon Calling at This Office Tomorrow.

A

"A" stands for Accumulation
Of pennies deposited here.
A little sum put in each month
Will be a large sum by next year.
4 per cent. compound interest on everyone's account,
When a few years have gone by will be a large amount;
Then when you are very rich you will have to thank
The enterprising, energetic **People's Savings Bank.**

MISS MARY OWEN GREEN, 205 So. Second St.

PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK

Located in the Big White Building,
Front and Princess Streets.
Capital and Surplus, $110,000.00.
Total Resources, $1,000,000.00
We pay 4 Per Cent. Compound Interest on all accounts.

B

Stands for **Bijou**, the Theatre of Mirth,,
Where you will always get your money's worth,
"Never out—Never over—5 cents—No more,"
The genial Howard proclaims at the door,
So fellows get wise when you are down street,
And take your best girl to this cozy retreat.
For the pictures are fine, the songs sublime,
And the **Bijou** is the place for a jolly good time.

C. HUBERT BELVIN, Wilmington, N. C.

THE BIJOU

In addition to the prize offered by the Star the manager of the Bijou will present the winner of the Bijou prize jingle with two books of free tickets.

C

We're Platt and Haar, the "Little Store,"
And ere leap year shall pass
We want to ask just one thing more
Of Wilmington "en masse."
Pray won't you help us change our name
To **Platt & Haar**, the "Big Store."
For grown we'll be, and known to fame,
Within a few years more.

RED CROSS

PLATT & HAAR

The Little Store.
Dry Goods, Notions, House Furnishings.
No. 9 North Front Street.

D

Our Mission in life is to please you;
Pray, how can we serve you today?
Your prescription we'll fill,
Either liquid or pill.
And we've candy and soap and perfume
Pain killer for cramps;
And the great Red Cross Stamps.
Oh, the **Mission** is now on a boom.

T. H.

Winner will please call at the Mission Pharmacy and receive a two-pound box of Guth's Candy.

Mission Pharmacy

No. 5 North Front Street Wilmington, N. C.

E

Christmas is coming; and where would we be?
"In the dark" to be sure, but for electricity.
The wonderful, dazzling, brilliant light,
That helps you to read when declining in sight.
And turns our night into the brightness of day,
Will light up our Christmas trees with sparkle and ray.
So to the "Southern Electric" we will go with our needs,
For in fixtures and fittings, and bright lights it leads.

C. B. LYNCH.

Southern Electric Co.

(Incorporated.)
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR 215 Princess St.

F

Stands for Finish, it's all very nice,
On every shoe bought of **Hewlett & Price.**
They'll fit you so well you never will know
A pinch or a rub, a heel or a toe.
Their boots and low shoes are good for a tramp
Over rocks or in sand, when it's dry or when damp.
Don't go elsewhere, their service is fine,
Red Cross is their stamp, Swastika their sign.

MRS. R. W. GIBSON, 111 S. Third Street.

HEWLETT & PRICE

109 Market Street.

G

Stands for Groceries, goodness gracious, how nice.
Everything for Xmas, even down to the spice;
Cakes, candies, nuts, raisins and jellies so fine,
Just makes your mouth water, and your eyes, how they shine.
Then there's Turkey and Cranberry sauce and some Jam,
And besides all these goodies they've even got Ham.
So when buying your Xmas things give us a call,
And I'm sure we can please you one and all.

SAM A. MATTHEWS, 607 So. Front St.

Wilmington Grocery Company.

H

'Tis pleasant to sit in a Barber chair,
(When for a shave alone you're there)
Without being asked, "Come try a Shampoo;"
"Your hair needs a trimming—it's too long for you"
Or, "We're fine at Massaging;" and, "How 'bout a Shine;"
Ellis won't have that—his Shop's not that kind;
Just visit him once, and you never will stop,
But get all your work done at his ideal shop.

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L. O. ELLIS

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We extend an invitation,
And a pressing one—to you,
To look into our system
Of making suits look like new;
"Eureka! We have found it,"
And no matter their condition,
They're sent to Press—and afterwards
Come out a new Edition.

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EUREKA PRESSING CLUB

Cleaning, Dyeing and Pressing. Ladies work a Specialty.
14 PRINCESS STREET.

L

L—ook out for economy, and give us your clothes
A—ll our work gives satisfaction as everyone knows.
U never knew your collars to have a saw edge,
N—othing but first-class service, this is our pledge.
D—rivers accommodating and courteous too,
R—eady to serve you on any hurry call.
Y—ou'll find the **City Laundry** recommended by all.

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City Laundry Co.

Third Street, Opposite City Hall
PHONE 249.

M

"'Tis 'meet' that we should serve you right"—
Hopkins & Davis say;
"And while we're always 'cutting-up,'
It's in a business way."
"We "deal" in any game that's good,
And goes with our "Kine,"—
If you don't trade at our stalls
You're missing stuff that's fine.

ALEX O. MARR, 113 N. Fourth St.

HOPKINS & DAVIS

CITY MARKET.

N

If you think it worth your while,
And really want to know the "style,"
Just walk down Princess street,
And then indeed you'll have a treat.
Step right in the **"Bon Marche"**
And there indeed you'll want to stay.
Hats and dresses up to date,
And always at the lowest rate.

J. WILLIAMSON, 118 So. Fourth St.

The Bon Marche

High Class Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Garments.
Corner Second and Princess Streets.

O

Oh! when you're out shopping, stop in and look
And buy something from DeRosset, if it's only a book.
He has lots of other nice things, it is true,
Such as typewriters, Y. & E. Cabinets and other things too.
He is courteous, polite; on him you can rely,
Just give him a chance, your office to supply.
Santa Claus has been here with his presents so fine
And everything there is just simply sublime.

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Office Supplies,
Books, Stationery, Typewriters and Supplies, Filing Cabinets and Card Index System.
Phone 26. 32 North Front Street.

Q

Jack and Jill went up the hill,
To fetch a pail of water,
Wasn't that a cruel way to treat a son and daughter?
But the people in this town,
In Spring, Winter and Summer,
Get water hot and cold supplied,
By **Dosher**, the splendid plumber.

AUGUST KRAHNKE, 111 Chestnut street, City.

W. R. DOSHER

Sanitary Plumbing. 209 1-2 North Front Street.
Prompt attention given to phone orders.

S

Stands for Satisfaction, society and suspicion
"S" also stands for Stein Bloch clothes when
More for fit and finish is beyond all competition
"S" also stands for sox, suspenders and success
And when you don a suit of this make you surely have the best.
These goods are guaranteed to be all wool,
The colors tried and true;
They are made in all the newest shades; in brown, gray, black and blue.
So now, dear reader, should you want the very best,
Just drop in at the Corner Store and he will do the rest.—FLEET'S.

MISS LILLIAN RUTH

J. W. FLEET CO.

Clothing, Hats and Gents' Furnishing Goods.

T

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen,
The saddest are these, 'It might have been.'"
Those trousers so baggy, that coat a misfit,
That suit the worst botch that ever was seen.
That dirge you'll not sing; those words you'll not say
If Munson's your tailor, and clothes you his way.
His clothes are the finest; his fits are the best;
His work it is perfect—coat, pants and the vest.

THOMAS WELLS,

MUNSON & CO.

MERCHANT TAILORS 106 North Front Street.

U

The City Livery's too well known,
To really need an "Ad"
For they are just as up-to-date,
As the very latest "fad."
They have the Vehicles you want
To take you anywhere.
So call up No. "15."
And have no further care.

J. WILLIAMSON, 118 So. Fourth St.

City Livery Company

V

If an appropriate reminder, you wish in days to come
to bring back the smiling feature of a certain little one—
A souvenir of Infancy—when Baby So-and-So
Resembled Such-and-Such a Him, and looked so cute, you know;
Be sure and have some pictures of the little fellow made,
For while Memory sometimes fails us—photos never fade;
And Vale's the man you should consult to consummate your plan,
He's found at Front and Princess streets—The High Class Photo Man.

ALEX O. MARR, 113 No. Fourth St.

CHAS. E. VALE
Studio of Photography
Wilmington, N. C.

X

Sloan & Sweeney want a jingle;
Stoves and hardware, all to mingle;
Pitchers, buckets, pots and pans,
Knives and scissors, and dinner cans.
With saws and files, in all the styles,
To please St. Nick and bring his smiles;
For when he learns the needs of men,
From **Sloan & Sweeney** he'll fill his den.

MRS. R. W. GIBSON, 111 S. Third St.

Sloan & Sweeney

HARDWARE, STOVES AND TINWARE.
18 South Front Street.

Z

G—o to the **Gilbert House** if you would find,
I—n a boarding house something that's simply divine.
L—iberties of a hotel, with the comforts of home,
B—ut the most attractive feature is yet to come.
E—lectric lights everywhere, from bedroom to hall,
R—ates very reasonable, and the same thing to all;
T—able—there comes the "dream" of it all,
If you're "from Missouri," just give them a call.

F. G. R., 121 Market St.

THE GILBERT

A. M. GILBERT, PROPRIETOR.
Corner Front and Princess Streets.

A CHANGE OF BUSINESS!

THE WILMINGTON FURNITURE CO.

Now In the Hands of J. L. Stern & Co.

This Mammoth Stock of Furniture and Household Goods Will Be Sacrificed at the Most Insignificant of Low Prices. The Necessity of the Case Makes It Imperative.

SALE STARTS WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16th, at 9:00 A. M.

Mirrors Etc.

MIRRORS.

12x14 Mirror, nice gilt frame, now 49c
18x36 Mirrors, nice Gilt Frame, now $3.49
18x40 Mirror, nice Gilt Frame, now $4.48

LAMPS.

50c Lamps, now.....39c
65c Lamps, now.....48c
75c Lamps, now.....52c
$2.50 Lamps, now.....$1.65

RUGS.

9x12 Brussells Art Squares, regular $22.50, now $15.50
9x12 Velvet Art Squares, regular $30.00, now $21.98
9x12 Axminsters Art Squares, regular $35.00, now $22.48
9x12 Best Axminster Art Squares, regular $45.00, now $28.90
Velvet Rugs 27x54, regular $2.50 quality, now $1.39
Axminsters 27x60, regular $3.00 quality, now $1.90
Axminsters 36x72, regular $5.00 quality, now $3.48
9x11 Brussels Art Squares, regular $17.50, now $11.98

For the Bed Room

BED ROOM SUITS.

Beautiful quartered Oak Bed Room Suits worth $65.00, now.....$43.00
$85.00 Suits, now.....$63.00
$20.00 Oak bed room Suits, now $14.98
$25.00 Oak bed room Suits, now $18.98
$30.00 Oak bed room Suits, now $21.98
$45.00 Oak bed room Suits, now $32.48
$50.00 Oak bed room Suits, now $37.85
$75.00 Oak bed room Suits, now $52.48
$90.00 Oak bed room Suits, now $67.48
$150.00 Mahogany Bed Room Suits, now $93.48

OAK BEDS.

$3.50 Oak Beds, now.....$2.15
$5.00 Oak Beds, now.....$3.48
$7.50 Oak Beds, now.....$5.48
$10.00 Roolfoot Beds, now.....$6.98
$15.00 Rollfoot Beds, now.....$9.98
$20.00 Rollfoot Beds, now.....$12.98

IRON BEDS.

$3.50 Iron Beds, now.....$1.98
$5.00 Iron Beds, now.....$3.98
$6.00 Iron Beds, now.....$4.90
$7.50 Iron Beds, now.....$5.85
$8.00 Iron Beds, now.....$6.75
$10.00 Iron Beds, now.....$7.98
$12.50 Iron Beds, now.....$9.85
$15.00 Iron Beds, now.....$11.95
$20.00 Iron Beds, now.....$14.98

COUCHES.

$15.00 Pantestote Couches, now $11.98
$20.00 Pantestote Couches, now $14.48
$35.00 Solid Leather Couches, now $28.98
$45.00 Solid Leather Couches, now $34.48

Bouffets Dressers

DRESSERS (Bureaus)

$5.50 Dresser, good glass, now...$3.98
$6.50 Solid Oak, good glass, now $4.98
$12.50 Solid Oak, 24x30 Beveled mirror, now $7.98
$15.00 Quartered Oak, Beveled mirror, now $10.98
$25.00 Oak, 30x40 mirror, now..$14.95
$35.00 Polished Quartered Oak, 50-inch base, 36x40 Beveled mirror, now $23.95

Chiffoniers and Washstands to match the above dressers. Washstands, oak, from $2.85 to $15.00. Chiffoniers from $4.98 to $40.00.

$30.00 Birds Eye Maple, now...$21.95
$35.00 Birds Eye Maple, now...$24.95
$40.00 Mahogany, now $29.95
$50.00 Mahogany, now.....$38.85
One Dresser, Chiffonier and Washstand in Curly Birch, worth $75.00, now $48.95.

BUFFETS, SIDE BOARDS AND CHINA CLOSETS.

$20.00 Buffet, now.....$13.98
$60.00 Buffet, now.....$49.98
$20.00 Sideboards, now.....$13.98
$25.00 Sideboards, now.....$19.98
$45.00 Sideboards, now.....$34.48
$60.00 Sideboards, now.....$48.98
$20.00 China Cabinets, now.....$16.98
$30.00 China Cabinets, now.....$23.98
$45.00 China Cabinets, now.....$34.48
$50.00 China Cabinets, now.....$39.48
$60.00 China Cabinets, now.....$47.98
China Cabinets in Oak, Mahogany and Mission.

Wash-Stands

WASHSTANDS.

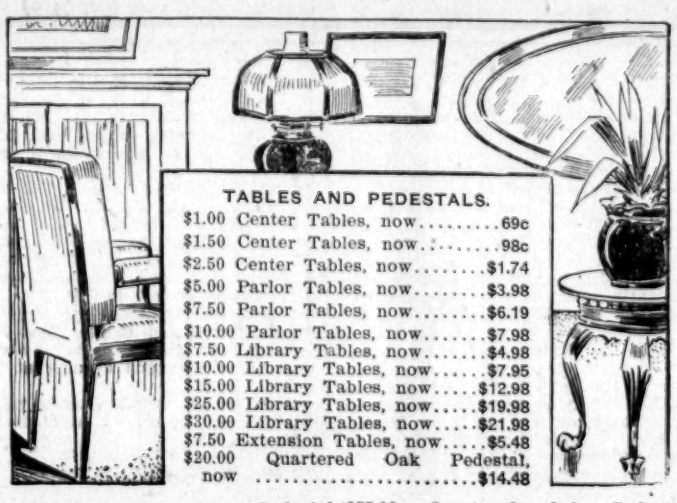
White Enamel Wash Stands, with Bowl and Pitcher, was $2.50, now $1.38
Oak Wash Stands, formerly $4.00, now $2.98
Oak Wash Stands, swelled Drawers, was $5.50, now.....$3.98

PICTURES.

We have the largest stock of Pictures ever shown in Wilmington. We have some very nice quality, nice frames, and will sell them too cheap to justify enumerating.

TOILET SETS.

9-piece Toilet Set, now.....$2.49
10-piece Toilet Set, now.....$5.98
$15.00 Toilet Set, now.....$8.95
Imported 12-piece Toilet Set, now $13.50
About forty Toilet Sets, some imported. All beautifully decorated, some fancy shapes at $2.35 to $13.48.



TABLES AND PEDESTALS.

$1.00 Center Tables, now.....69c
$1.50 Center Tables, now.....98c
$2.50 Center Tables, now.....$1.74
$5.00 Parlor Tables, now.....$3.98
$7.50 Parlor Tables, now.....$6.19
$10.00 Parlor Tables, now.....$7.98
$7.50 Library Tables, now.....$4.98
$10.00 Library Tables, now.....$7.95
$15.00 Library Tables, now.....$12.98
$25.00 Library Tables, now.....$19.98
$30.00 Library Tables, now.....$21.98
$7.50 Extension Tables, now.....$5.48
$20.00 Quartered Oak Pedestal, now $14.48
$25.00 Quartered Oak Pedestal, now $19.98
$35.00 Quartered Oak Pedestal, now $27.48
$45.00 Quartered Oak Pedestal, now $34.98
$75.00 Quartered Oak Pedestal, now $54.48

Parlor and Library Tables in Quartered Golden Oak, Mahogany and Mission Extension Dining Tables, Golden Qartered Oak and Mission.

CHAIRS.

$1.00 Oak Chairs, now.....69c
$1.50 Oak Chairs, now.....98c
$2.50 Oak Chairs, now.....$1.85
$3.50 Box Seat Diners, now.....$2.90
$4.00 Box Seat Diners, now.....$3.48
$5.00 Leather Seat Diners, now..$3.98

More than 30 styles of diners in Golden Oak, with cane, wood or leather seats.

Several sets fancy Mission diners—wood or leather seats. Arm Chairs to match many of the above.

ROCKERS.

$1.50 Oak Nurse Rocker, now.....98c
$3.00 Large Arm Rocker, now...$1.69
$5.00 Saddoc Seat Rocker, now..$3.78
$5.00 Large Reed Rocker, now...$2.48
$10.00 Leather Rocker, now.....$7.98
$7.50 Mission Rocker, now.....$4.49
$10.00 Mission Rocker, now.....$7.98
$12.00 Mission Rocker, now.....$9.98
$15.00 Oak or Mahogany Rocker, now $12.48
$18.00 Leather Rockers, now...$14.48

We have more than 75 styles of Rockers in Oak, Imitation Mahogany, Mahogany, Reed, Mission, in Saddle or Leather Seats to select from.

HALL RACKS.

$7.50 Hall Racks, now.....$5.98
$11.50 Hall Racks, now.....$9.98
$15.00 Hall Racks, now.....$11.98
$25.00 Hall Racks, now.....$19.98
$35.00 Hall Racks, now.....$26.48

MISCELLANEOUS.

Some of the many things not enumerated: Book Cases, Taboretts, Costumers, Hall Trees, Fire Screens, Hall Screens, Clocks, Water Sets, Chocolate Sets, Punch Sets, Counterpanes, Comforts, Blankets, Pillows, Window Shades, Lace Curtains, Enamel Ware, Roll Top Desks, Flat Top Desks, Kitchen Safes, Kitchen Cupboards, Sewing Tables, Linoleum Floor Oil Cloth, Parlor Suits.

A PLAIN STATEMENT

¶ We have decided to make a change in our business on January 1st, or as early thereafter as possible, therefore have placed our entire stock in the hands of Mr. J. L. Stern to be disposed of at once FOR CASH. ¶ We are determined to make the change, therefore determined to dispose of the goods.

¶ We have between **$12,000** and **$15,000** worth of goods (these are not fake figures; we can show the goods). ¶ We have no junk; our goods are bright, new stock. Our Mr. Cole has just returned from the market where many of the goods were bought. ¶ This is not a sale for profit, but for a purpose. Many of these goods will be sold for less money than they can be bought at the factories.

Respectfully, THE WILMINGTON FURNITURE CO.

COTS.

$2.50 Wood Frame Cots, now....$1.48
$5.00 Wood Frame Cots, now....$3.68
$5.00 Iron Frame Cots, now.....$3.94

SPECIAL.

A limited number of $5.00 Iron Frame National Springs. Helical Springs at end at $3.98.

MATTRESSES.

45 pound Felt Mattresses, Regular $10.00, now $7.85
50 pound Felt Mattresses, Regular $12.00, now $9.45
50 pound Imperial Edge regular $15.00 now $11.75

In order to prove to you what a tremendous sacrifice has been made on each and every article in this store we have mentioned only a very few of the extraordinary prices that have been made There are hundreds of articles we cannot mention here. A money-saving proposition awaits you. Come early, as this sale will last for a short time only. Our prices make it expensive for you to buy elsewhere.

Don't wait until the last minute, but come here at once. Not only a few catch-penny bargains—the whole store a sea of monster values. Our circulars are now being distributed around the city. Get one. No housewife should overlook this event. Select your Xmas presents NOW.

The Store Will Be Closed Monday and Tuesday To Inventory and Mark Down Stock.

The Wilmington Furniture Co.

Corner Second and Princess Sts., Garrell Bldg., Wilmington, N. C.
J. L. STERN & CO., Conductors of Sale.

Goods Packed Free of Charge.

The Morning Star.

Sunday, December 13, 1908.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 13, 1908.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Saturday, Dec. 12th:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 52 degrees; 8 P. M. 53 degrees; maximum 60 degrees; minimum 52 degrees; mean 56 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .68; for the month, 1.46 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville Saturday at 8 A. M. 6 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair Sunday and Monday; moderate temperature; light variable winds.

Port Calendar—Dec. 13.

Sun Rises.....7:02 A. M.
Sun Sets.....4:46 P. M.
Day's Length.....9 hrs. 50 min.
High water at Southport (——) P. M.
High water at Wilmington 1:35 A. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

John H. Kuck—Notice.
A. C. L.—Holiday Rates.
Jingles—Prizes Awarded.
A. Shrier—Sale Continued.
Crystal Palace—New Bill.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Fireworks.
C. H. Fore & Co.—Why Spend.
J. W. H. Fuchs—Xmas Presents.
Sam. Bear, Sr. & Sons—Specials.
Geo. O. Gaylord—A Large Store.
John H. Kuck—Sale of Fine Wines.
S. P. Cowan, Sheriff—Tax Notice.
Academy of Music—Jas. K. Hackett.
C. W. Polvogt—Bankrupt Millinery.
Peterson & Rulfs—Christmas Slippers.
J. H. Rehder & Co.—Holiday Novelties.
Jacobi Hdw. Co.—Holiday Suggestions.
Roger Moore's Sons & Co.—Building Material.
Telfair Sanitarium—Morphine and Whiskey.
Wilmington Furniture Co.—Change in Business.

Business Locals.

For Sale—A Goat.
C. P. B. Mahler—For Rent.
E. Norfleet—Buy a Home.
For Sale—Retail Business.
Belmont Mfg. Co.—Wanted.
Wanted—Position as Clerk.
C. P. B. Mahler—For Rent.
Moler Barber College—Men.
The Parish Guild—Annual Sale.
Furnished Room—For Gentlemen.
Wanted—Position as Stenographer.
Yale Cigar Co.—Salesmen Wanted.
J. G. Wright & Son—Cottage Home.
Gast Bank-Note & Litho. Co.—Salesmen.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Dr. J. H. Newbury, of Magnolia, spent yesterday in the city on a business trip.

—Dr. J. Arthur Dosher, of Southport, was in the city yesterday, registered at The Orton.

—Messrs. T. H. Dosher and J. E. Hood, of Southport, were among the guests at The Orton yesterday.

—Mr. J. D. Wiley, the well known traveling man of Charlotte, arrived yesterday and is a guest at The Orton.

—Solicitor N. A. Sinclair, of Fayetteville, was here yesterday, returning home from courts in the upper part of his district.

—United States Postoffice Inspector S. H. Buck is here to attend the session of United States court this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hobbs and two children, of Rockingham, were among the guests at The Orton yesterday.

—Messrs. John Beavers and Clyde Sears, of Durham, are spending a few days in Wilmington on a visit to friends.

—Capt. J. H. Devereaux, inspector of public buildings for the U. S. Government with headquarters in Charleston, spent yesterday in the city on official business.

—Mrs. A. M. Scales, of Greensboro, and Mrs. Chas. E. Borden, of Richmond, Va., are in the city, guests at the home of their parents, Col. and Mrs. John D. Taylor.

—Miss Sue Anderson, of Ocala, Fla., who has been the attractive guest of Miss Thurber Gore, left yesterday afternoon, returning to her home much to the regret of very many friends and admirers here.

—Mrs. B. Maurice Chiswell and little son, Master William Bellamy Chiswell, arrived yesterday morning from Washington, D. C., and are guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. H. Bellamy, on Second street.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Bethea, of Dalhart, Texas, and their sister, Miss Elizabeth Bethea, of Latta, S. C., are visiting in the city. The visitors will be given an oyster roast this afternoon at Wrightsville Beach at which Mr. M. Ed. McNair will be the host.

—Herbert McClammy, Esq., returned yesterday morning from Richmond, Va., where on Thursday with George Rountree, Esq., he argued for the appellant before the United States Circuit Court of Appeals the case of Corbitt Buggy Co., appellant, against A. G. Ricaud, trustee of John L. James, bankrupt, appellee. Thos. W. Davis and Robert Ruark, Esqs., argued the case for the appellee.

St. John's Parish Guild.

The ladies of the Parish Guild of St. John's Church will have their annual Christmas sale Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the parish house at Third and Red Cross streets. In planning for this sale the ladies have made a special effort in the making of small and useful articles and their patronage should be large.

Pony rigs and pony saddles. City Livery Co. **

Men's Holeproof Socks reduced to $1.50 a box. J. W. H. Fuchs. **

LOCAL DOTS.

—Rev. G. A. Martin, pastor of Southside Baptist church, returned home yesterday and will preach today, both morning and evening, at his church.

—"The Great Jewish Jubilee and Its Type" will be the subject of Rev. J. P. King at the Advent Church, Sixth and Church streets, at 7 o'clock this evening.

—Mary Biggs, an insane colored woman, was placed in jail yesterday for safe keeping, pending an examination and application to place her in the asylum at Goldsboro.

—Rev. Fred D. Hale, D. D., returned from the Baptist State convention yesterday evening and will occupy his pulpit as usual this morning and evening.

—The men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 5 o'clock will be addressed by Mr. Henry W. Malloy, whose address will be on a subject of interest to all men.

—The British steamer Atlas, Capt. Sargeant, cleared light yesterday for New York, after discharging a cargo of fertilizer constituents. The vessel was consigned to Heide & Co.

—Sheriff Cowan has a notice of interest to all tax delinquents in another column of today's paper. Read it and save costs.

—Kate Kenkins, a well known character of the under world, died yesterday afternoon at her home near Eleventh and Chesnut streets. The funeral will be conducted today and the interment will be in Oakdale.

—Two other attachments on property of Mr. Chas. McMillen, were served yesterday by Constable Savage and Deputy Sheriff Piver, for alleged indebtedness, in two accounts, to S. W. Sanders and Hugh MacRae & Co.

—At St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at the morning service today, Miss Margaret Moran will sing during the offertory, "The Light of the World" and Miss Carrie Barker will render a solo at the evening service.

—A valued communication from Rev. Thos. P. Noe on the subject "Red Cross Society and Tuberculosis" is left out of this morning's issue of the Star on account of a press of other matter. It will be published later.

—Impressive and interesting services will be held at Delgado Chapel, commencing at 4 o'clock this afternoon, the occasion being the installation of the new pastor, Rev. J. M. Plowden, formerly of Goldsboro. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor of St. Andrew's church and other Presbyterian pastors of the city will be in attendance.

COMING OF MR. HACKETT

Eminent Romantic Actor Travels on His Own Special Train of Cars.

Mr. Thomas A. McKee, special representative of Mr. James K. Hackett, the celebrated romantic actor who will be seen at the Academy of Music Tuesday evening in "The Prisoner of Zenda," arrived yesterday to make all arrangements for the big production here. Mr. Hackett will arrive in the city with his company on his special train of five cars, including his elaborate private car, "Iolanthe," which is occupied by the actor and his charming mother, who always accompanies her son on his tours. There are two baggage cars, a coach and diner in addition to the private car.

The company and the production to be seen here are from Mr. Hackett's own theatre in New York City and the cast includes some of the best known actors to the American stage and the staging of the play is upon a most elaborate scale, on a par with all Mr. Hackett's productions, which are always the best.

Mr. Hackett has not appeared here in a number of years but will no doubt receive a hearty welcome from his friends of former visitis. This is the one big attraction of the season at the local playhouse and it is hoped theatre-goers will show their appreciation of the engagement extraordinary.

TO MAKE STATEMENT

Refute Charge in Regard to Sale of Southern Life Stock.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 12.—In a signed card in this afternoon's Observer, Mr. C. J. Cooper, of this city, says that so many misstatements have appeared in print that a full, careful and detailed statement of the purchase of the stock of the Southern Life Insurance Company, of Fayetteville, some time ago by the Seminole Securities Company, is being prepared and that it will be the best refutation of the false cries. The card of Mr. Cooper refers to dispatches in several State papers from Columbia, S. C., charging that a scandal had been created by the purchase of $150,000 of Southern life stock by the Seminole Securities Company, at 216, the stock being disposed of by a Mr. C. J. Hebert, who paid the Southern Life 141 for it.

"THE ARMY OF TWO"

Incident of the American Revolution In Pictures at The Bijou.

An incident of the American Revolution in which a British force was repulsed on the Connecticut shore by the two Fordlyhan sisters will be portrayed in high class moving pictures at the Bijou as the new bill tomorrow afternoon and evening. The British commander was wounded and made a prisoner. He was nursed by one of the girls and became an officer in the Continental army. Interwoven in the stirring war-time drama is a pretty love story and the pictures are from Edison films, guaranteeing the best.

A Christmas Gift

Can you find a more fitting or more useful gift for the wife or child than a Savings Bank Book. A small amount will secure a Book at the People's Savings Bank, and 4 per cent Interest will be added. su-tu-thu.

A product called Kodol has now been made which completely digests all food. It relieves the weak stomach wholly and instantly, yet permits one to eat what he wants.

COUNTY HEALTH BOARD

Special Meeting Monday Afternoon to Consider Abattior Question.

A special meeting of the County Board of Health, composed of all the physicians of New Hanover, is called to be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock for the purpose of considering the question of an abattior for all local butchers and dealers, the advisability of such action being suggested by complaint of numerous residents as to the sanitary conditions of a private slaughter pen, near the Castle Haynes road, just beyond Smith's Creek bridge. Through Dr. W. D. McMillan, superintendent of health, the complaint was originally filed with the Board of County Commissioners and referred thence to the County Sanitary Board, which at a special meeting Thursday discussed the matter in detail and made reference of the whole matter to the County Board of Health, appointing Drs. R. H. Bellamy and E. J. Wood and Chairman D. McEachern to investigate the complaint and be prepared to make a recommendation to the latter Board at the meeting Monday. This committee yesterday visited the slaughter pen complained of and will make its recommendation at the meeting Monday The matter is one of much importance to the public health and it is believed that decisive action will be taken at this meeting.

LARCENY OF PAPERS

Small Colored Boy Lashed for Lifting From Front Porches.

Charged with the larceny of a paper from the front porch of the residence of Mr. J. L. Middleton, No. 318 North Fourth street, where it had just been regularly delivered by Clayton Suggs, one of the bright young carrier boys for the Morning Star, on last Sunday morning, Reid Miller, a colored lad, was arraigned before Justice Furlong yesterday morning and having not yet reached the age of discretion, he was ordered thrashed by his mother, who paid the costs in the action. The carrier boy and an assistant of about his own age testified that they caught Miller in the act of taking the paper off the front porch after they had made a regular delivery of the same and they held him until he was fully identified.

The action is the first of several the Star is prosecuting with the hope of breaking up wholsale larceny of papers from subscribers after they have been delivered, especially on Sunday mornings. The practice has become so common that it has now been found necessary to establish a regular system of espionage on each route after the carrier boys have passed and prosecutions will be vigorously pushed until the thieves are all in jail or have desisted from their practice.

THE SACRED CANTATA.

"The Ten Virgins" to be Rendered by Choir of St. James.

The sacred cantata, the "Ten Virgins" by A. R. Gaul, will be given by the choir of St. James Church, assisted by some of the leading vocalists of the city, Wednesday evening, the 16th, commencing at 8:30 P. M. This beautiful cantata is adapted to this season of advent and is sung in the large churches here and in England. The soloists will be Mrs. Cameron F. MacRae, Mrs. F. W. Holden, Mrs. Jos. W. Yates, Miss Carrie Barker, Messrs. J. B. Fenley, Greene Fenley and H. E. O'Keefe and a chorus of 30 voices. It is hoped a large audience will be present to hear this beautiful rendition and that they will give liberally so that it will be possible to continue these musical services as such works efficiently rendered are not only an education but will elevate the city to the musical level of some of the sister cities in this State, where such things can be given on a much larger scale. This is Mr. Johnson's object and he has the hearty support and co-operation of his choir and the music teachers here. They are working faithfully and assiduously to create a love for the good and beautiful in church music.

Big Sale to Continue.

At the request of many who have found it inconvenient to take advantage of the unusual bargains offered, it has been decided to continue the sale at A. Shrier's for another week and special offerings have been arranged for the week. The sale thus far has been a great success and thousands of dollars worth of merchandise have been handled.

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY.

Offers Bankrupt Stock of Fine Millinery—Sale Next Week.

The C. W. Polvogt Co., having purchased a Bankrupt Stock of Fine Millinery in a nearby town will offer same together with their entire stock of millinery at Bankrupt Prices. The entire stock of Ladies' and Misses' Trimmed Hats at half price—200 Felt Shapes worth $1.25 to $3.50 each, will be placed on a table for sale at 25c each. Ostrich Feathers will be sold at one-fourth off. Fancy Feathers and Wings at one-third off their regular price. Flowers and ornaments at cost. 35c to 75c. Ribbons for 25c a yard. Prices like the above should move the entire stock in a few days. The sale will be Monday the 14th, to Saturday the 19th. We invite everybody to attend. **

Men's Holeproof Socks reduced to $1.50 a box. J. W. H. Fuchs. **

Fireworks, Toys, See Rehder's. **

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for Pulpits Today.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, church edifice Market and 17th streets Services at 11 A. M. and 8:15 P. M. Subject of lesson sermon, "God the Preserver of Man." All are invited.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, North Fourth street: Sunday School at 10 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. and again at 7:30 P. M. by the pastor, Rev. Geo. S. Bearden. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers are cordially invited.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor. Third Sunday in Advent. German service at 11 A. M. English vesper service at 7:30 P. M. Sunday School 3:30 P. M. A cordial invitation to all. Seats free.

St. John's Church, Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. W. E. Cox, rector: Holy Communion 7:30 A. M. Service with sermon 11 A. M. Sunday School at 4 P. M. Evening prayer with address 8 P. M. All are cordially invited.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. A. W. Seabrease, rector. Sunday services morning with Holy Communion at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. The hour of the Sunday evening service is changed from 8 to 5 P. M.

Second Advent Church, Sixth street, between Church and Castle, Rev. J. P. King, pastor: Sunday morning services at 11 o'clock and evening at 7 o'clock.

Services at St. James Church will be at 7:45 and 11 o'clock A. M. and 5 P. M.

WILMINGTON FURNITURE CO.

Big Sale Goes on Wednesday—Price Slashing in All Lines.

Owing to a contemplated change in business, the Wilmington Furniture Company announces a great sale of everything in stock to be inaugurated on Wednesday of this week. Mr. J. L. Stern, the original and highly successful sales manager, has been especially engaged to conduct this sale and a stock of high class goods, much of it especially attractive during the holidays, will be closed out at prices that will make the public sit up and take notice. The stock is one of the finest ever brought to Wilmington and there are absolutely no reservations for this sale. The page advertisement elsewhere in today's paper, gives all particulars.

Alleged Disorderly House.

Mrs. Barbara Dunn, an elderly white woman, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer I. F. Huggins, charged with conducting a disorderly house at 210 Walnut street, where she lives alone with a little daughter, the evidence having been furnished by young Carl Nelms, a white youth, who was taxed with the cost in the Mayor's court yesterday for being drunk and disorderly at the place Friday night. Nelms gave the names of witnesses to his charge against the elderly woman, who is being given the freedom of the police station until she can have a hearing before the Mayor Monday at noon.

Read Star Business Locals.

Mexican Drawn Work in great variety at low prices.

J. H. Rehder & Co.
THE POPULAR DEPARTMENT STORE
"The Firm That Pays Your Car Fare."

Germantown Wools all colors. Peerless Slipper Soles, all sizes.

HOLIDAY NOVELTIES

It is with pride in our Christmas line and a strong conviction of its excellence and worthiness that we lay before you a few selected numbers, which can hardly help but awaken lively interest in our special Christmas offerings.

Toys, Dolls and Fancy Goods.
Furs, Coats and Rain Coats.

Skirts, Silk Waists and Sweaters, Fancy Collars, New Millinery for Xmas, Fancy Pillows and Pillow Tops, Mexican Drawn Work.

Teddy Bear Go-Carts, Perambulators, Automobiles, Tricycles, Velosipedes, Irish Mails, Express Wagons, Hobby Horses and Dolls in a wonderful assortment. You should see our line before making your selection.

What's better to give your brother, father or sister than a nice leather Suit Case or Traveling Bag, even a nice Trunk? We have everything and at the lowest price.

When down town don't fail to see our new Toy Store, Market street, Bonitz Hotel.

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USEFUL HOLIDAY PRESENTS

THE MEMORY OF WHICH WILL LINGER LONG AFTER.

Pocket and Table Knives that cut.

Silver Plated Knives, Spoons and Forks.

Jos. Rogers & Sons Carvers and Table Knives.

"The World's Standard Cutlery."

Nickeled, Aluminum and Agate Percolators, $1.75 to $10.00

Boys' Rifles—$1.50, $2.00 and $3.00.

Guns—$4.00, $5.00, $6.00, $8.25, $10.00, to $50.00. All standard makes.

Iver Johnson, Smith & Wesson, and Colts. All prices, $2.50 and up.

Manicure Sets in Leather Cases $2.00 to $5.00.

Scissor Sets in Cases, $1.50 to $5.00.

Boys' Axes.

Gun Coats.

Leggings.

Gillette Razor Sets.

One Dollar Safety Razors.

Fine Mechanical Tools

Fine Tool Kits in Morocco Leather Cases, $5.00

Boker Razors in Pairs.

Morocco Leather Cases $3 to $6.

Pay Us a Call When You Are Shopping.

N. JACOBI HARDWARE CO.

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MORPHINE AND WHISKEY

Why be a slave to drug or drink, when you can surely and easily be relieved of your addiction by taking the Scientific Treatment administered by

THE TELFAIR SANITARIUM

The Morphine habit successfully treated without pain; without excessive sweating; with no unpleasant symptoms during withdrawal of drug. Whiskey voluntarily given up by patients in 48 to 72 hours—no shock—no sudden stoppage. New Sanitary building, large, commodious. Extensive grounds—fine porches. Constant personal attention. For terms address,

The Telfair Sanitarium, Greensboro, N. C.

Condensed Statement
to the Comptroller of the Currency
of

THE AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK OF WILMINGTON

(The youngest and most progressive bank in the city.) at the close of business Nov. 27th, 1908.

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$208,543.38	Capital Stock	$100,000.00
Overdrafts	45.53	Net profits	2,649.88
U. S. Bonds and Premium	46,684.38	Circulation	45,000.00
Redemption Fund	2,850.00	DEPOSITS	222,132.31
Furniture and Fixtures	4,530.48		
CASH	107,078.41		
	$369,782.19		$369,782.19

W. B. Cooper, President. Thos. E. Cooper, Cashier.
Geo. O. Gaylord, Vice President.

dec 6 tf

MR. JAMES K. HACKETT.
Distinguished Actor Who Comes to Academy Tuesday Night in "Prisoner of Zenda."

EXPRESSION LEAGUE

Will Give Entertainment at Y. M. C. A. Thursday—Basket Ball.

The members of the Expression League, will give their first public recital Thursday evening at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. The entertainment will be under the direction of Mrs. Curtis Armall-North and a programme both interesting and enjoyable is being rehearsed.

Two good games of basket ball were witnessed by quite a crowd of admirers of the sport in the gymnasium of the Association building last night. The games were snappy and interesting. Stevens' team won over Hanson's by a score of 14 to 12 and Thees' team scored a victory over Burkhardt's aggregation by 18 to 8.

Sacrifice Sale of Fine Wines.

Attention is called to the announcement of Mr. John H. Kuck of a sacrifice sale of fine wines, the reputation of which is well established. The stock is not large, therefore, Mr. Kuck advises the placing of orders early. Prices and other information is given in the advertisement.

THE CONVICTION OF RUEF

His Sentence Postponed for the Judge to Read the Record.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 12.—Sentencing of Abraham Ruef, convicted last Thursday, of offering a bribe, was today postponed until next Saturday. Judge Lawyer declined to allow a motion for continuance to be entered until he had read into the record the legal history of every one of the hundred and six days consumed in the trial. Attorney T. B. Dozier, Ruef's counsel, was then permitted to interpose reasons for delay and the order for continuance was officially made. The plea for postponement was based upon a claim that the defense had not had time to prepare motions for a new trial.

SHERIFF KILLED DRUGGIST.

Tragedy at Jesup, Ga., Last Night. Officers Surrendered.

Waycross, Ga., Dec. 12.—Fleming Smith, a druggist, was shot and instantly killed at Jesup, Ga., tonight by Sheriff Lyons and son. The officers surrendered to the coroner and will be brought to Waycross Sunday on account of threatening conditions at Jesup.

ROOSEVELT'S AMMUNITION.

For His African Hunt by a New Haven Company.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 12.—Ammunition to be used by President Roosevelt on his African hunting trip has been prepared here and forwarded to Washington, together with the weapons which the President will use, and which were sent here to be examined by experts. The ball cartridges are in varying weights, the largest being deemed of the right calibre to bring down a pachyderm.

The honeymoon trip of Captain Hudson, skipper of the schooner Henry Clausen, Jr., and his bride last month was thrilling, according to details received today of their experiences on board that vessel which burned in mid-ocean. The newly married couple and crew, rescued by a passing steamer, were taken to Messina.

Bishop William Ford Nichols, of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of California, before leaving New York for the Pacific coast yesterday announced that J. Pierpont Morgan had contributed $100,000 for the re-building of the Episcopal churches of San Francisco destroyed by the earthquake and fire three years ago.

Mrs. Cora Whitney, wife of Caspar William Whitney, of New York, editor of "Outing" magazine, was granted a divorce with $300 a month alimony at Omaha, Neb., yesterday. The charges were cruelty and non-support.

Had a Close Call.

Mrs. Ada L. Croom, the widely known proprietor of the Croom Hotel, Vaughn, Miss., says: "For several months I suffered with a severe cough, and consumption seemed to have its grip on me, when a friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery. I began taking it, and three bottles affected a complete cure." The fame of this life saving cough and cold remedy, and lung and throat healer is world wide. Sold at R. R. Bellamy's drug store. 50c and $1.00 Trial bottle free.

Novelties in cut glass. See Rehder's. **

Men's Holeproof Socks reduced to $1.50 a box. J. W. H. Fuchs. **

WARM WIRELETS.

Three men were killed yesterday in an explosion in the Rend mine, near Mount Vernon, Ill. The damage to the mine amounted to $40,000.

The battleship Georgia, preceding the battleship fleet under Rear Admiral Sperry, due at Colombo, Ceylon today, came into port with a smallpox case on board. The patient was at once removed to the hospital.

Attorney General Charles H. Bonaparte yesterday indicated that he would not be a member of President Taft's cabinet when he said that after March 4th next, he positively would retire from public life.

Young Corbett and Phil Brock, fought 10-rounds to a finish at New Orleans last night, at the Southern Athletic Club. Ty Cobb of the Detroit American League baseball team was referee.

The House Committee on Patents has directed its sub-committee to proceed with the preparation of a bill for the revision of the copyright laws, and a meeting of the sub-committee has been arranged for next Monday for that purpose.

Unscrupulous and otherwise misleading phrases in guarantee labels used by manufacturers are barred under a decision promulgated by the pure food and drug board with the aproval of Secretaries Cortelyou, Wilson and Straus.

Cities of Kansas may provide separate schools for white and negro children in the grades below the high school, but the schools for negro children must have equal facilities and be as easy of access as those provided for white children.

After serving 3 years in the Georgia State penitentiary for another's crime, Otto E. Black, of Dayton, Ohio, was yesterday pardoned by Governor Smith. He was convicted of horse stealing but his innocence was proven by the confession of the real culprit.

Luther Andrews, Jr., aged 14, who shot and killed Elizabeth K. Merrick, aged 11 years, in South Norfolk last Thursday evening, while returning from a gunning trial, was acquitted upon a preliminary hearing yesterday on the ground that the killing was accidental.

Stanley Robison, owner of the St. Louis National League baseball club, announces that he has completed a deal by which Roger Bresnahan, the famous catcher of the New York National League, will go to St. Louis as manager of the National League club of that city.

Four men from the country who had never before ridden on a train, leaped from a train traveling thirty miles an hour, near Baton Rouge, La., Asked why they jumped they said because the porter called out "all off for Baton Rouge." They were not seriously injured.

Seven hundred members of the Pennsylvania Society of New York, were present at the annual dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria last night and listened to pointed criticisms of President Roosevelt's attitude toward the judiciary, by Chief Justice Miller, of Pennsylvania.

An audience of 500 people were thrown into a panic and a score were injured in New York last night when the balcony in a moving picture show house on the lower east side, collapsed. Firemen and police reserves were rushed to the scene of the accident and a dozen of the victims were dug out of the debris of the collapsed gallery and carried to the hospital, where it was stated that their injuries were not fatal.

After it is too late—
But why let it be too late, when TO-DAY you can buy a bottle of Gowan's Preparation and be prepared? It cures cold and croup and Pneumonia. They come in the night—come suddenly, and if you are not prepared you regret. It is up to you

All druggists handle the great external remedy. Three sizes 25c, 50c, $1.00. Buy it to-day

Fancy goods novelties. See Rehder's. **

Holiday goods, everything. See Rehder's. **

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

FOR SALE—A good paying retail business, only requiring from $1,000 to $1,250 capital; will sell for one-half cash. Balance on time. Address "Jones" care of Star. dec 13 1t*

WANTED—Position by young man stenographer and bookkeeper. Salary $75 per month. Five years experience. Address "X. Y. Z." care of Star. dec 13 1t*

FURNISHED ROOM—For one or two gentlemen. Modern, convenient and prices reasonable. Apply to 315 South Fifth street. dec 13 2t

THE PARISH GUILD of St. John's Church will hold its annual Christmas sale in the Parish House, Third and Red Cross streets, Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Public invited. Small articles a specialty. de 13 3t*

MEN—Our illustrated catalogue explains how we teach barber trade in few weeks, mailed free. Moler Barber College, Atlanta, Ga. dec 13 3t*

CALENDAR salesmen, experienced in the sale of advertising calendars. Large line, best selling styles, imported and domestic. New line for 1910 ready Jan. 1, 1909. Deal with Main office direct, no middle-men. Address with references; Aug. Gast Bank-Note & Litho. Co., St. Louis, Mo. dec 13 1t.

WANTED—Salesmen of ability and best appearance to call on all merchants in their territory; elegant safe line, convenient to carry; good commissions; prompt remittance. Belmont Mfg. Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. dec 13 16 t sun*

WANTED—Position as clerk in grocery store, 2 1-2 years experience as salesmen, good reference. Address "H," care of Morning Star. de 13 1t*

BUY A HOME—Three six-room houses can be bought by paying just a little more than you are now paying rent. Start the new year right, buy a home. See E. Norfleet, 15 Princess street. dec 13 1t.

FIRST CLASS Goat, Harness and Sulky for sale cheap. Goat is gentle and works well in harness. Reason for selling, we have no room for him 520 Nunn street, corner 6th. de 13 1t

SALESMAN WANTED—To represent us, experience unnecessary, $75 to $150 per month and expenses or commission. Yale Cigar Co., Indianapolis, Ind. dec 13 2t*

A NEAT COTTAGE HOME—The nice home that you have wanted. Splendid location. Six room house, lot with 41 feet frontage. Just off car line, between Fifth and Sixth streets, on Ann street, No. 516. Come and see particulars. J. G. Wright & Son, Real Estate Agents, 124 Princess street. dec 13 4t

FOR RENT—That desirable corner, Fourth and Red Cross streets. Possession given January 1st, 1909. Apply to C. P. B. Mahler, Real Estate Agent, 'phone 184, No. 21 South Second street. dec 13 1t

ALL PERSONS wanting a situation in cotton mill at Lumberton, N. C., will please call on me. Good wages. Healthy town. W. W. Avant, 117 South Water street. de 12-2t*

FOR SALE—Second hand safe cheap. Weight 1,000 pounds. 'Phone 214 for information. dec 12-2t.

WANTED—By young lady, position by January 1st, as stenographer. Has had experience. References furnished. Address "F." care of Star. de 12-3t.

FOR SALE—One sorrel horse, weighing 1,400 pounds, 7 years old; well broke, kind and gentle, sound in every way. Will sell or exchange for two smaller horses. This horse too large for our purpose. Address C. M. Faircloth, Clinton, N. C. dec 11 4w

NICELY FURNISHED or unfurnished rooms with or without board. Privilege of bath and 'phone. Carolina House, 414 1-2 North Front street. de 9-6t.

THE OLD RELIABLE, the Wilmington Pressing Club, is still running at the old stand on Second street. Others come and go, but the old Wilmington comes and stays. de 5-tf.

FOR SALE—A gentle combination, horse, runabout and harness. Apply to Moses Bear, 18 Market street. dec 4 tf

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS — Overhauled, repaired and tuned. Work guaranteed. Address Geo. Haar, 315 South Fifth street. dec 2 eod 1m

UPHOLSTERING, repairing, varnishing, at 114 1-2 Dock street. 'Phone No. 1465. Carolina Upholstering Company, P. J. Breen, manager. de 6 tf

BOARDING—Permanent and Transient. Best location in city. Meals to suit the business men. Strictly up to date. Harnett House, 110 Princess St Hot and cold baths. Phone No. 713. sep 22-tf

CABBAGE PLANTS—Garden plants grown in the open air will stand the coldest Winter. Price one to four thousand $1.50, four to nine thousand $1.25, over nine thousand $1 per thousand F. O. B. Meggetts, S. C. We have special express rates. Write us for agent's outfit and proposition. N. H. Blitch Co., Meggetts, S. C. The largest truck farm in the world. dec 9 eod jan 1.

PHOTOGRAPHS—Visit the U. C. Ellis Studio for bright, clear, artistic photographs that don't fade. At reasonable prices. dec 3 tf

MOTHER, do you hear that rattling in your baby's throat put a little of mother's joy on it and stop it at once. nov 22 we-fr-su-tf

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

THE GILBERT HOUSE—Combines home comforts with hotel conveniences. Front and Princess streets; junction of all cars. Cars to depot. Steam heat, electric light and hot water. Table equals the best and rates reasonable. Transient $1.25 to $1.50 per day. Rates to regular and table boarders. oct 25 tf

DELMONICO CAFE—Blue Point oysters on half shell and quail on toast. de 1-1m

FOR SALE—A four-room cottage, in center of city on car line. Has gas, water, electric lights and telephone. Splendid neighborhood. Address "B. S. W." care of Star office. noc 25-tf.

LUMBER AT RETAIL—Grades and prices right. See us before buying. Angola Lumber Co. aug 30 tf

A CENTRALLY Located, thoroughly modern residence, with immediate possession, for rent. No. 16 North Fourth street. Apply to J. G. Wright & Son or S. A. Schloss. dec 10 4t

MOTHER'S JOY is made of pure goose grease and other healing ingredients. Mothers, you can't afford to be without a box of mother's joy. nov 22 we-fr-su-tf

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

MOTHER'S, how can you take the chance? Keep a bottle of mother's joy in your house. You need mother's joy every day. nov 22 we-fr-su-tf

FOR RENT—Store and warehouse 108 North Water street, at present occupied by J. S. Funchess & Co. Possession given at once. Apply to Morris Bear & Bros. au 5 su-we-fri-tf.

PUBLIC STENOGRAPHER, NOTARY PUBLIC—Expert work of any kind, anywhere, any time. Court reporting, depositions, medical papers. Notarial work. Meares Harriss, 114 Princess street. Phone 708; residence phone 546. sep 2 eod

CYPHERS INCUBATORS, the kind you don't have to watch all night. Incubators, brooders and poultry supplies of every kind. Everything guaranteed. W. E. Merritt, 114 Princess street. se 6 sun only 3m

FOR SALE—An old established liquor firm in Baltimore, Md. In existence more than 70 years. Suitable for wholesale or retail trade and admirably adapted for mail order business. Elevator service. Address Maryland Liquor Co., 414-16 North Gay street, Baltimore, Md. de 12-3t.

CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS

Just the thing for Xmas presents. Useful and suitable for all.
In different styles and colors.
—AT—
PETERSON & RULFS
NEXT TO MURCHISON BANK.
dec 13 tf

A Large Store

representing 40,000 feet of floor space represents something and I would like to have its merits investigated by everyone. Remember, you are specially invited to look it over. Geo. O. Gaylord's store on Front street has grown from a small size shop to the largest and best Department Store in the State, and the only one of its size that carries only the name of one man behind the gun. This man works every minute in the day, and his chief aim is to under-buy so that he can under-sell. The bargains on display are at every turn in the whole building, the stock in the different departments represent a store within itself. We are now pushing Christmas goods; toys of every kind for the little folks and Old Santa Claus. The goods are all on exhibition and we are not at all ashamed of the display. It is a hard matter to describe this stock of goods and each department is anxiously waiting to be mentioned, trusting thereby that they may receive a visit from you.

We received today a beautiful selection of children's hats, which we now have on sale at almost half price. We are showing a splendid assortment of Ladies' Satin Hats that have been marked down.

Ladies' Coat Suits reduced. We want the room for our Spring assortment of dresses. A wonderful reduction in Ladies' Cloaks: $7.50 Cloaks will be sold for $5.00; $10.00 Cloaks for $7.00; $15.00 Cloaks for $11.00, and $20.00 Cloaks for $15.00.

Something new in Dress Goods—The Little Herring-bone Serges in all colors have been received at 50c per yard. Try our yard-wide Black Surety Silk. With every dress or skirt pattern we sell we give an absolute guarantee. It will not split nor crack, signed by the factory, the same price as other silks, only $1.00 per yard.

Children's Shoes just received in all the pretty styles for Christmas presents. Try six pair of our Men's Not A Hole Sox, six pair guaranteed for six months, only 25c per pair. Ladies' and Children's Red Raven Hose, price only 25c per pair, every pair warranted. We have all styles of cheap socks from 5c per pair up.

Our Clothing Store is anxious to see you. All kinds of Boys' Clothing for Christmas, as well as Men's Clothing and Overcoats of all sizes. Men's and Boys' Caps as well as Hats in all shapes. This large store has grown on its merits. It is not a mushroom affair composed of hot air, but this makes our 21st Christmas that we have been selling you toys. Plenty more to say, but we have not got the space.

The Big Store On Front Street
GEO. O. GAYLORD,
PROPRIETOR.
dec 13 tf

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

JAMES K. HACKETT.

Tuesday, Dec. 15

Sale of Seats TO-MORROW

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—Durham Herald: With the announcement of the resignation of Judge Neal comes the announcement that several gentlemen are being prominently mentioned as his successor.

—Wilson Times: The month of November saw nearly 20,000,000 pounds of tobacco sold on the floors of North Carolina warehouses. Winston-Salem leads the State with sales amounting to three and one half million pounds and Wilson second with 2,231,967 pounds.

—Laurinburg Exchange: The grand jury did a nice act when they recommended the expenditure of enough of the county's cash to beautify the Court House square. This piece of work should have been done years ago, and it is hoped that the commissioners will at once act on this recommendation.

—Kenansville News: It is Sheriff G. G. Best now, and ex-Sheriff Middleton's successor will make an ideal officer. He was for a long while chief deputy under Mr. Middleton and the duties of the office are already familiar to him. Mr. Best has been engaged in the grocery business at Warsaw for some time and had built up a good trade.

—Wadesboro Messenger: Judging from the number of persons sentenced to the roads last week by Judge Webb in Scotland Superior Court, crime must be rampant in that county. Notwithstanding the fact that Scotland is a small county 23 persons received road sentences on the roads of this county and 11 on the roads of Union.

—Newbern Journal: Oysters are still plentiful and are cheaper than for several years. Hucksters were peddling them on the street yesterday for 15 cents a quart. The quality is not extra fine but the low price is caused mostly by a scarcity of money. If money was as plentiful here as it was last year, they would probably be selling for 40 cents a quart.

—Mount Olive Tribune: A dispatch from Clinton announces that the four Democratic County Commissioners of Sampson, appointed by the last Legislature, resigned Monday morning of this week. The dispatch states further that they have unfinished an investigation of the Clerk's office, made necessary by the juror ticket forgeries of the assistant to the Clerk.

—Duplin Journal: The success of our county banks should be a pride to every property owner, farmer, and business man in the county, as these institutions are the sign-boards of our material progress. With age, each bank grows stronger, adding to its surplus, and satisfying the stockholders with a semi-annual dividend, besides the great help they have proven to the business interests of their home towns.

—East Carolina News: The following tells it own sweet story: "Mr. and Mrs. Buck C. Barden request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Kate Cooper, to Mr. Samuel Garland Winstead, on Tuesday evening, December the 22nd, at 8 o'clock, Baptist church, Magnolia, North Carolina." Miss Barden is one of Duplin's brightest young ladies and the News congratulates our friend from Roxboro in advance. They are both universally popular.

—Concord Times: The case of Rufus Krimminger, of No. 5 township, who is charged with trying to hire two persons to kill Jason Misenheimer, of the same township, was tried before Squire Lore this morning at 11 o'clock in the court house. A large crowd was present, the case having excited much interest. Krimminger was not held under the charge of conspiracy as this was not proven, but he was put under a bond of $50 for carrying concealed weapons and $250 for soliciting to commit crime. Krimminger gave the bonds and was released.

—Lexington, Dec. 11.—Deputy Collector J. M. Davis is in Lexington for the purpose of meeting the brandy distillers from the different sections of the county and winding up this season's affairs. There were 15 brandy distilleries in Davidson during the past summer and a considerable amount of brandy was made. Some of those who have a large amount of the distilled apple and peach juice on hand are puzzled to know what they will do with it after the first of the year, except to drink it or treat their friends.

—Rocky Mount Record: That the residents of Martin county and vicinity must be the victims of a fire bug seems to be the general opinion expressed by arrivals in this city from that section. Within the past several months Plymouth and Williamston have suffered fires of questionable origin that have resulted in small losses. The town of Jamesville had its entire business district wiped out a few weeks ago with a fire loss of over $50,000 that started from an origin unknown. Yesterday the nearby town of Parmele came forward with a several thousand dollar fire in its business district, with an origin unknown.

—Asheville Citizen: John Drake, of Asheville, defeated Ed Faulkner, of Indianapolis, in the handicap wrestling match, held at the Grand Opera House last night. Drake was in excellent condition and strength and endurance were the features of the match. Faulkner gave an exhibition of clever and finished wrestling. The condition of the match was that Faulkner throw Drake twice within an hour. From the very start it could be seen that Faulkner was up against an almost impossible proposition. His cleverness was no match for Drake's strength. The local wrestler time after time broke Faulkner's half Nelsons. The Indianapolis whirlwind tried toe holds continually but Drake showed great quickness in avoiding them.

Men's Holeproof Socks reduced to $1.50 a box. J. W. H. Fuchs. **

NO WONDER THE SALE OF

Andes' Great Prescription

IS ASTONISHING

When it Positively Cures Chronic Catarrh of any form

GET A BOTTLE TODAY

The first bottle will convince you that it will cure

$1.00 PER BOTTLE, 3 FOR $2.50

MRS. C. E. ASLINGER, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Mrs. C. E. Aslinger, of Chattanooga, Tenn., has this to say in regard to her cure. "Gentlemen: For over three years I have been suffering from chronic catarrh that began with a cold which stopped up my head and throat, and would not yield to treatment. I was constantly troubled with a hawking and spitting of mucous matter, especially in the morning. I would have smothering sensations and noises in my ears, pain in the front part of my head, foul breath, and have noticed during that time that my hearing and sight have been affected. At night there would be a dripping mucous into my throat which found its way to my stomach, and of late my digestion had become seriously impaired. Doctors had warned me of the serious complication that might arise unless I would continue treatment. I had used about every catarrh remedy on the market but had found no relief until I began the use of Andes' Great Prescription. Only two bottles have cleared my head and throat and corrected all symptoms of stomach disorder. I sleep and eat well, and find it a powerful tonic in building up my entire system. In fact, I am gaining in strength, and shall never be without it in my house hereafter."

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ROBERT R. BELLAMY, and all Wilmington Druggists.

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"To buy Clothes and Toggery,
There's no place like J. M. SOLKY & CO.

"To buy a Fall Suit for business or dress,
There's no place like J. M. SOLKY & CO.

"To buy a Fall Top Coat, Rain Coat or Overcoat,
There's no place like J. M. SOLKY & CO.

"To buy a good pair of Trousers for any purpose,
There's no place like J. M. SOLKY & CO.

"To buy Clothes for the Boys,
There's no place like J. M. SOLKY & CO.

"When looking for the correct Hat, the latest Tie,
There's no place like J. M. SOLKY & CO.

EVERYBODY SAYS IT

The people's verdict pleases us—music to our ears, we appreciate the good things said to us and so—

We're Growing Some.

J. M. SOLKY & CO.

The Only One-Price Clothiers and Furnishers Here.

MASONIC TEMPLE BUILDING.

dec 12 tf

DAVID'S

MERRY XMAS

Suggestions for "Him"

SUIT, OVERCOAT, RAIN COAT, BATH ROBE, SUSPENDERS, UMBRELLA, SHIRTS, GLOVES, NIGHT ROBES, UNDERWEAR, HANDKERCHIEFS, HOUSE COAT, HOSIERY, MUFFLER, TIES, ETC.

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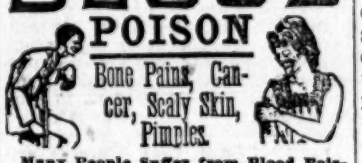

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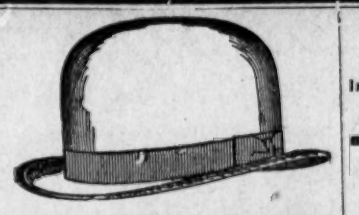

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Cash	1,228,698 18
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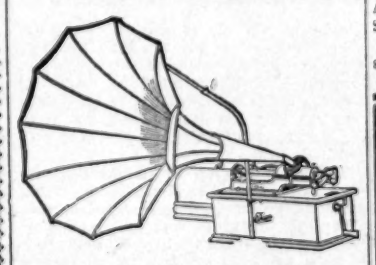

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SUNDAYS—Leave at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 7:00 8:30 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE FROM WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 3:00, 4:30, 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 11:00 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON FROM WRIGHTSVILLE

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:20, 7:25, 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, 7:25, 7:55, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 I. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 9:55, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:55, 7:55, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON FROM THE BEACH

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 7:15, 7:45, 9:15, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:45, 5:15, 7:45, 9:15 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 9:45, 10:45 A. M. 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 5:15, 5:45, 6:15, 6:45, 7:45, 9:15 P. M.

TO GOLF LINKS AND DELGADO FROM WILMINGTON

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, *2:25, 3:00, *3:45, 4:30 *5:05, 6:00, *6:05, 7:00, *7:05, 8:30, *9:05, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

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BRINGING IMMIGRANTS TO THE SOUTHLAND.

Address of Mr. Hugh MacRae, of Wilmington, at Recent Annual Banquet of North Carolina Society in New York.—Discusses Growth and Development of South Along Permanent and Substantial Lines.

The following is the full text of the recent address of Mr. Hugh MacRae, of Wilmington, before the North Carolina Society of New York, at its annual banquet at the Hotel Astor on last Monday night, the Associated Press having already carried a general account of the gathering. Mr. MacRae in addressing himself to the subject, "Bringing Immigrants to the South" said:

The movement of immigrants to North Carolina is as yet in its initial stages and of such small proportion that it would hardly be entitled to your consideration this evening on any other basis than that outlined by your President in his kind letter of invitation, in which he said: "At this dinner we wish to have a programme outlined for North Carolina's growth and development for the next twenty-five or fifty years—from every point of view, industrial, educational, etc."

I believe that all great progressive movements must go slowly. Each generation must build for future generations; and the fact that this programme was to be made for twenty-five or fifty years made me feel that even a small beginning in the direction of turning the great tide of immigration into the South would have its proper place.

It will be conceded by careful observers that there is no quicker way to increase the wealth of a country than to add to its industrious and thrifty population. The demonstration is before us in the Northern States, and especially is this true in the Western States where millions of sturdy immigrants, English, Scotch, Irish, Germans, French Canadians, Swedes, Hungarians, Poles, Fins, and Italians have in succession been distributed as wealth producers, each in turn lifting those who went before to higher levels of prosperity and wealth. Great agricultural development, great industries, and great cities have been the direct result of this ever-increasing army of producers of wealth.

The native American has always shown sufficient versatility and adaptability to rise to higher levels and remain on the surface of this rising tide of development.

No section which has experienced the benefits of immigration would part with its new population. Remove the Germans from the territory of St. Louis, the Swedes from the region around St. Paul and Minneapolis, the Poles and Hungarians from Pittsburg, and the Greeks, Italians, and Slavonic races from New England, and there would be a general calamity.

The South has stood aloof from immigration, partly from conservatism, but largely from the fact that immigration to the South has been, under the conditions heretofore prevailing, almost impossible. During the forty years following the war, when for lack of financial strength the South's energies were dormant and only slowly recovering from the effects of the complete exhaustion of the struggle, there was more labor available on account of the large Negro population than it was possiblbe to use. For this reason wages remained low and in turn all industries languished because of the low earning power of labor and the low purchasing power of wages.

The sturdy immigrants naturally went where there was least competition and highest wages. The millions first established drew other millions of their countrymen, so that great railroads and steamship companies were built up by this movement of immigration, and in turn directed their energies to securing immigrants for their territory. It was easy to keep the immigrant from turning Southward, as there was no demand for him there; he had neither relatives nor ties of friendship in the South; and on the maps of the steamship and railroad agents the southern country was designated as the "Country of the Black Man." Even now we find immigrants who fear cannibalism in the South.

The South's growth, though unassisted by immigration, has been marvelous. During the last four or five years it has become apparent that the growth of wealth and industry has outrun the supply of labor. The mills and mines rob the farms of their labor; agriculture becomes almost impossible to the man who has to hire help, and yet the mills are often forced to run short time.

As the tendency of the South will be to develop even more rapidly, we face a crisis through a labor famine. Laborers cannot be brought immediately into the South. The wage scale has not yet reached a level which will compete with the North and West; and to quickly pay this scale would be ruinous. It seems, therefore, that the logical way to increase the South's power of producing wealth is to bring in an agricultural population to supply the places of those who will be taken by the industries from the farms.

The ownership of land appeals strongly to the hardy, industrious peasants of Europe who have eked out an existence on farms, but have never been able to accummulate sufficient with which to buy land.

In our attempt to start colonization we have reached the broad conclusion that any immigrant coming from northern Italy, or northern Europe, who has lived on the land and who will devote himself to agriculture, will become a good citizen. Agriculture acts as a great filter which quickly separates the scum of the European cities from those who have led the rugged, wholesome life of farms.

The South need have no fear of getting too many immigrants; the competition is still too great, and the obstacles are still sufficient to make it a slow and difficult process. The countries of Europe are fully alive to the value of these people to them, and are placing every obstacle in the way of their coming. If we have any fear, it should be lest we have let pass the golden opportunity.

For a number of years it has been a wish of mine to make the attempt to secure immigration, but it has only been within the past four years that this could take practical shape; and up to the present time the work has been largely experimental. We have established five colonies, with Italians at St. Helena, Hungarians and Hollanders at Castle Hayne, Poles at Marathon, Germans at Newberlin, and Hollanders and Poles at Artesia. American and other nationalities are located also at Castle Hayne and at Artesia.

I shall refer especially to the Italian colony, as that is the oldest—three years old—and is the largest and most successful.

First, a word about the preliminary work. Having noted the success of farmers along the coastal region, from New Jersey through Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, and Georgia, to Florida, we became convinced that there was a vast area of fertile land available for profitable agriculture, which only needed proper drainage. The country is quite level, and the rainfall is from sixty to seventy inches per annum. We secured the assistance of Government experts to make preliminary soil surveys of the section around Wilmington, which section has the peculiar advantage of being south of the line where the ground is subject to freezing in Winter, and at the same time of being near to the great northern markets.

From the knowledge obtained from the Government soil experts other men were trained as experts, and surveys and maps were made of more than six hundred square miles of land. The reports of the soil experts exceeded our expectations. Options were taken on large areas which were best suited for the purpose of colonization. After the titles were examined and accepted by competent attorneys, corps of engineers were put in the field to make surveys, drainage plans, and layouts for farming communities and town sites. This required about two years' work of a large force of men.

In the meantime, agents were sent abroad to study the sources of immigration, and the best manner of directing the immigrants to the desired locality. Demonstration farms were started so that the first arrivals could be shown the best methods under the new conditions. The ditching, clearing, and fencing were first done by Negro labor, and later by the colonists as they arrived. A good superintendent, who was a skilled agriculturist, was placed in charge of each colony, even when it contained only two or three families. As the cost of preparing for and securing the first arrivals was enormous, it seemed wise to nurse them with the greatest care.

The Italian colony was started with seven families from northern Italy. They were chosen from a district in the province of Venetia, and it may be interesting to know that our agent, upon investigation, found from the records that no serious crime had been committed in this district for more than four hundred years. To this can be added the statement that at St. Helena in three years there has not been a single lawless act. I have never seen any people more contented and happy. They are frugal and industrious, and compare satisfactorily in every way with the native white population.

We have found that colonies do not succeed without families. The women and children are necessary to a sound development. We established the custom of showing appreciation of this fact by giving a present of five dollars in gold to each bride in the colony, and a gift of ten dollars in gold for each child brought by the storks to St. Helena. We have no standard by which to guage the efficiency of these bounties, but can say that the expenditure on that account has become quite an item in our budget.

St. Helena (named in honor of the Queen of Italy) was started in a pine forest. The pine wood as soon as it was cut from the land was purchased from the colonists, and each man was employed one half of his time working for the company, ditching, fencing, and building roads. The women and children work all of their time in preparing the land for the first crops, the men giving half of their time to doing the heavy, rough work. At St. Helena there have been sold sixty-six farms of ten acres each. There are about three hundred people in the colony, and already there are about two hundred and fifty acres under cultivation, and two hundred acres additional cleared and ready for the plow. During the past season sufficient strawberries were planted which, in addition to those already bearing, will bring the total in strawberries up to one hundred acres. There are forty acres in cotton ,fifteen acres in corn, fifteen acres in potatoes, and eighty acres in miscellaneous vegetables. It is estimated that next Spring, during the strawberry season, the Italians at St. Helena will ship each day more than one solid refrigerator carload of strawberries to the northern markets, and under market conditions as good as those of the past year this crop will bring more than $10,000 in cash into the colony.

Our experimental work with colonies has necessarily been done at great expense, and we have made the usual mistakes which may be expected in pioneer work. But from these we have reached some conclusions.

We believe that the North Italians are particularly desirable for North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia, because they are used to a climate similar to ours. They have been healthy and vigorous, and St. Helena has practically been free from sickness for three years. As to the immigration of North Italians, the South has no cause to fear the descendants of the people who were the builders of Rome and Venice, and of Florence and Milan.

It will be interesting in this connection to quote from a letter written by Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, after he visited Italy, as follows:

"Having myself been very pronounced in expressing the idea that Italians were undesirable immigrants for South Carolina, a sense of justice compels me to say that, having watched the people of Italy with that very question in view, I still feel that the people of Naples and those of Southern Italy whom I saw at Salerno and Paestum are not the type we would like to have. From Rome northward the impression made on me is entirely favorable, and I feel sure that if we could get any of the northern Italians into the Southern States they would make good citizens and help in every way to assist the white race in solving the race problem."

To the immigrants we sell land, houses, and mules on long time; we also furnish those who are without means with seeds and fertilizers, and give them instructions as to planting and marketing.

The Italians of St. Helena are desirous of becoming American citizens; their children are attending the public schools, and the men and women are anxious to learn the English language. They take great pride in their community, and show a spirit of co-operation in many ways. They have organized a brass band of fifteen pieces, and on holidays and feast days they find great satisfaction in playing alternately the favorite airs of Italy and America.

We find that Hollanders will also prove very desirable colonists. They are among the most skilled agriculturists in the world. In one locality, from which the Hollanders at Castle Hayne have come, there are six hundred people making a living, by intensive farming, on a tract of land which has a total area of fifty acres.

We feel certain that the race problem of the South will be either solved by immigration, or will be so greatly minimized that its solution will not be a matter of supreme importance.

It seems clear that the development of the South cannot be continued in the same ratio as for the past few years, except through an increase in its agricultural population. As has been shown in the West, this will not reduce the price of labor, nor will it adversely affect the value of farm products. The failure of the Wittekind experiment, and the failure of the attempt to bring English spinners to Greensboro, demonstrated that the immigrants should be directed to agriculture, and from this source the other demands for labor may later be supplied. The first immigrants to be brought to the South cannot be broadcasted. They must be treated with great care, just as one would do with rare plants being brought to a new locality.

From the standard of the upbuilding of the State of North Carolina steps should be taken to secure a State Department of Immigration which would be under the supervision of intelligent, earnest, and effective workers, and the work of this department should be mapped out along practical lines. For instance, it is useless to attempt at present to get a great movement of English or Germans, when the era of immigration from those countries has long since passed. The work should be done along the lines of least resistance and without prejudice; and as soon as North Carolina begins to develop as it should, we can feel assured that such English and Germans as can be attracted will come.

The United States Department of Agriculture has shown a willingness to co-operate actively with the State Department in this work. Much can be done by furnishing expert instruction in agriculture to the new settlers, and the various departments of the Government will undoubtedly assist in solving this great problem for the South.

By Rail and Water

Rocky Mount Record: "A marked increase in the freight business of railroads has been noted for the past two weeks and heavy trains are being operated from both ends of the line and train crews are receiving frequent calls. This is indeed gratifying news to the residents of this city after the adverse circumstances under which the railroad and it's employes have labored for the past several months."

Danville Special to Washington Herald. Work along all lines is rapidly picking up on the Southern Railway All of the old men who were laid off during the recent panic have been restored to their old places and many new men have been given positions. A large increase is reported in freight traffic, and a spirit of optimism prevails in local railway circles. Yesterday six freight trains, with between forty and sixty cars each, passed through the city within forty five minutes. The trains were all loaded with perishable goods from the South.

Pittsburg, Dec. 4.—Sixty new locomotives, worth approximately $1,000,000, have been ordered by the Steel Trust from the American Locomotive Company, according to the statement issued at the Trust's Pittsburg office today. The order calls for prompt delivery, and men will be placed at work in the locomotive company's shops at once. This is the largest single order placed with the company in over a year, and when the announcement was made it caused no little interest and satisfaction, as the greater portion of the work will be done here, though Philadelphia will get about one-fourth. This order is to supplement the steel car orders placed last week. They will be distributed among the various roads.

THEATRICAL

This week, Tuesday night, the Academy of Music will offer its star attraction of this season. In fact, it will be its star attraction for many, many seasons, as there is no greater attraction in the country than the well known actor, James K. Hackett, who has his own theatre in New York and who is always welcomed on Broadway. This distinguished actor will appear here in a big revival of "The Prisoner of Zenda" and the piece will be acted in masterly manner by a magnificent support, while the stage settings will be most elaborate. Seats will go on sale tomorrow morning, and all seats down-stairs will be $2, save the last four rows, this scale being the same as applies to Mr. Hackett's Broadway engagements.

Hackett is scoring a great hit throughout the country in his revival of the famous Anthony Hope romantic drama, "The Prisoner of Zenda." It will be remembered that this play was one of the greatest successes of a decade ago. It is a stirring drama without a moment's dullness, and the good old-fashioned love story which seems to have gotten into disrepute, is to be found there in all its strength. In addition there is an abundance of fine sword play that once marked the great actor of the old days, and in these days has made James K. Hackett, one of the leading romantic actors in America. It is hardly necessary to recall the story of "The Prisoner Zenda," which enjoyed a vogue that few English novels had, and was the beginning of the romantic movement in this country and England. Combining the dash and vigor of the romance of Alexander Dumas with the lightness of touch and humor that belongs to our own day, Mr. Hackett created a hero in Rassendyll that will undoubtedly live for a long time. Mr. Hackekttt has gathered about him as many ofthe original cast as it has been possible, and the production, it is said, will be one of unusual excellence. Considering the fact that nearly all the popular plays in New York at this time deal with ethical problems of the underworld, this breath of romance is more than welcome.

CARE OF VETERANS

Tyrell and Washington Confederate Association Commends Plan

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Columbia, N. C., Dec. 12.—The Tyrrell and Washington Confederate Association met at Columbia October 1st, 1908, and after finishing routine business, gave earnest and thoughtful consideration to the important and pressing question of properly caring for indigent and infirm comrades. All present realized that very few of North Carolina's sons are living who served the Confederate States and that a great majority of these are now rapidly approaching, with bent forms and infirm bodies, that river they must soon cross and rest with the greater majority of their comrades who now sleep, with Jackson, "beneath the shade of the trees.'

We believe that aid extended to our infirm and indigent comrades should be rendered when required and in such a manner as would bring to them, in their homes, comfort and peacefulness in their few remaining years, and, to this end, we are convinced that our solution of this vital and pressing question will prove perfectly acceptable to every old comrade who may require aid hereafter. Our plan is as follows:

First: That when a comrade is entitled to go to the Soldiers' Home, he be allowed, if he so desires, to remain in his County, with his loved ones and friends, and receive monthly from the State, a sum equal to one half of what it would cost to support him in the Soldiers' Home and that his County be required and empowered to pay him, monthly a sum equal to that paid by the State.

Second: That at least five per cent. of the appropriation for pensions be reserved, and held as an emergency fund, so that the Auditor may render immediate aid when applications for assistance are forwarded to him properly evidenced as prescribed by the Pension Laws.

We request a careful consideration of these suggestions by our Comrades in North Carolina, because we know that should they be enacted into law many noble and suffering heroes, now needy and worthy, would come into their own, and once more feel that a sunshine of joy which comes into the neglected heart again only when that heart is made to feel it is not forgotten.

We know the value and fully appreciate the Soldiers' Home at Raleigh, and believe it should be generously maintained for these unfortunate comrades who have no home ties to bind them to their County, and no women's tenderness, care, and love, to soothe their declining years. To such Comrades, our hearts yield the truest and tenderest sympathy we can feel, but our sympathy for them is not as much needed as it is for those, who with just a little help, could remain at home with loved ones who would rejoice to have the privilege of rendering every assistance necessary to make their old age as sweet as possible, and what could do that better than woman's loving care and tender touch? And besides this, what a joy it would be to the old soldier to share his pension with his faithful wife and to realize that when life's fitful dream was ended, he would be laid to rest with his friends.

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(Continued From Last Sunday.)

SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—David Stires, determined to disinherit his scapegrace son Hugh in favor of his blind ward, Jessica Holme, is dissuaded by the girl and the Rev. Harry Sanderson. The latter, who resembles Hugh greatly, sowed his wild oats with the younger Stires in college, where he was known as "Satan Sanderson." II—Hugh returns and is welcomed by his father. There is no hope of Hugh's reformation, but Jessica, deceived by her blindness, loves him. He plans to marry her. III—Harry lends him money. IV—Jessica is to marry Hugh and a foreign surgeon is coming to operate on her eyes. Jessica, whose sight is restored, is married to Hugh, Harry officiating, although he loves the girl. Immediately after the ceremony Stires is informed that his son has forged his name for $5,000. V—Harry, sent up-stairs to bring Jessica to the old man, is mistaken by her for her newly wedded husband. He kisses her. VI—Hugh flees, and Jessica reproaches Harry for having led him into evil ways in college. Stires signs the will disinheriting Hugh.

Chapter 7

HARRY SANDERSON as he walked slowly back from a long ramble in knickerbockers and Norfolk jacket over the hills was not thinking of the sights and sounds of the pleasant evening. He had tramped miles since sundown and had returned as he set out, gloomy, unrequited, a follower of baffled quest.

Set back from the street in a wide estate of trees and shrubbery stood a great white porched house. Not a light had twinkled from it for nearly a year. The little city had wondered at first, then by degrees had grown indifferent. The secret of that prolonged honeymoon Harry Sanderson and the bishop alone could have told, for the bishop knew of Hugh's criminal act. He was named executor of the will that lay in the Korean chest, and him David Stires had written the truth. His heart had gone out with pity for Jessica, and understanding. The secret he locked in his own breast, as did Harry Sanderson, each thinking the other ignorant of it.

Since that wedding day no shred of news had come to either. Harry had wished for none. To think of Jessica was a recurrent pang, and yet the very combination of the safe in his study he had formed of the letters of her name! In each memory of her he felt the fresh assault of a new and tireless foe—the love which he must deny.

Outcast and criminal as Hugh was, castaway, who had stolen a bank's money and a woman's love, he was still her husband. Hugh's wife! What could she be to him? And this fevered conflict shot through with yet another pang, for the waking smart of compunction which had risen at Jessica's bitter cry, "You helped to make him what he has become!" would not down. That cry had shown him in one clarifying instant the follies and delinquencies of his early career reduplicated as through the facets of a crystal, and in the polarized light of conscience Hugh—loafer, gambler and thief—stood as the type and sign of an enduring accusation.

But if the recollection of that wedding day and its aftermath stalked always with him—if that kiss had seemed to cling again and again to his lips as he sat in the quiet of his study—no one guessed. He seldom played his violin now, but he had shown no outward sign. As time went on he had become no less brilliant, though more inscrutable; not less popular, save perhaps to the parish heresy hunter, for whom he had never cared a straw. But beneath the surface a great change had come to Harry Sanderson.

Tonight as he wended his way past the house in the aspens, through the clatter and commotion of the evening, there was a kind of glaze over his whole face—a shell of melancholy.

Tomorrow began Harry's summer vacation, and he had planned a month's pedestrian outing through the wide ranch valleys and the farther ranges, and this should set him up again.

Now, however, as he walked along he was bitterly absorbed in thoughts other than his own needs. He passed more than one acquaintance with a stare of nonrecognition. One of these was the bishop, who turned an instant to look after him. The bishop had seen that look frequently of late and had wondered if it betokened physical illness or mental unquiet. More than once he had remembered, with a sigh, the old whisper of Harry Sanderson's early wildness. But he knew youth and its lapses, and he liked and respected him. Only two days before, on the second anniversary of Harry's ordination, he had given him for his silken watch guard a little gold cross engraved with his name and containing the date.

At a crossing the sight of a knot of people on the opposite side of the street awoke Harry from his abstraction. They had gathered around a peripatetic street preacher, who was holding forth in a shrill voice. Beside him on a short pole hung a dripping gasoline flare, and the hissing flame lit his bare head, his thin features, his long hair and his bony hands moving in vehement gestures. A small melodeon on four wheels stood beside him, and on its front was painted in glaring white letters:

HALLELUJAH JONES.

Suffer me that I may speak, and after that I have spoken mock on. —Job xxi, 3.

From over the way Harry gazed at the tall, stooping figure pitilessly betrayed by the thin alpaca coat, at the ascetic face burned a brick red from

"Woe to them that are at ease in Zion."

exposure to wind and sun, at the flashing eyes, the impassioned earnestness. He paused at the curb and listened curiously, for Hallelujah Jones with his evangelism mingled a spice of the zeal of the socialist. In his thinking the rich and the wicked were mingled inextricably in the great chastisement. He was preaching now from his favorite text: "Woe to them that are at ease in Zion."

Harry smiled grimly. He had always been "at ease in Zion." He wore sumptuous clothes. The ruby in his ring would bring what this plodding exhorter would call a fortune. At this moment Hede, his dapper Finn chauffeur, was polishing the motor car for him to take his cool evening spin. That very afternoon he had put into the little safe in the chapel study $2,000 in gold which he had drawn, a part for his charities and quarterly payments and a part to take with him for the exigencies of his trip. The street evangelist over there preaching paradise and perdition to the grinning yokels often needed a square meal and was lucky if he always knew where he would sleep.

The thread of his thought broke. The bareheaded figure had ended his harangue. The eternal fires were banked for a time, while, seated on a camp stool at his melodeon, he proceeded to transport his audience to the heavenly meads of the New Jerusalem.

Two, three verses of an old fashioned hymn he sang, and after each verse more of the bystanders, some in real earnestness, some in impious hilarity shouted in the chorus:

"Palms of victory!
Crowns of glory!
Palms of victory I shall wear!"

Harry walked on in a brown study, the refrain ringing through his brain. At the chapel gate lounged his chauffeur awaiting orders.

"Bring the car round, Hede," said Harry, "and I shan't need you after that tonight. I'll drive her myself. You can meet me at the garage."

The study was pitch dark, and Rummy halted on the threshold with a low, ominous growl as Harry fumbled for the electric switch. As he found and pressed it and the place flooded with light, he saw a figure there, the figure of a man who had been sitting alone, beside the empty hearth, who rose, shrinking back from the sudden brilliancy.

It was Hugh Stires.

Chapter 8

HARRY SANDERSON stared at the apparition with a strange feeling, like rising from the dead. The aristocratic features were ravaged like a nicked blade. Dissipation, exposure, shame and unbridled passion had each set its separate seal upon the handsome countenance. Hugh's clothes were shabby genteel and the old slinking grace of wearing them was gone. A thin beard covered his chin, and his shifty look, as he turned it first on Harry and then nervously over his shoulder, had in it a hunted dread, a dogging terror, constant and indefinable. From bad to worse had been a swift descent for Hugh Stires.

The wave of feeling ebbed. Harry drew the window curtains, swung a shade before the light and motioned to the chair.

"Sit down," he said.

Hugh looked his old friend in the face a moment; then his unsteady glance fell to the white carnation in his lapel as he said, "I suppose you wonder why I have come here."

Harry did not answer the implied question. His scrutiny was deliberate, critical and inquiring. "What have you been doing the last year?" he asked.

"Why did you leave it?"

"A little of everything," replied Hugh. "I ran a bucket shop with Moreau in Sacramento for awhile. Then I went over in the mining country. I took up a claim at Smoky Mountain. That's worth something or may be some time."

"Why did you leave it?"

Hugh touched his parched lips with his tongue. Again that nervous, sidelong look, that fearful glance over his shoulder.

"I had no money to work it. I had to live. Besides, I'm tired of the whole thing."

The backward glance, the look of dread, were tangible tokens. Harry translated them.

"You are not telling the truth," he said shortly. "What have you done?"

Hugh flinched, but he made sullen answer: "Nothing. What should I have done?"

"That is what I am now inquiring of myself," said Harry. "Your face is a book for any one to read. I see things written on it, Hugh—things that tell a story of wrongdoing. You are afraid."

Hugh shivered under the regard. Did his face really tell so much?

"I don't care to be seen in town," he said. "You wouldn't either, probably, under the circumstances." His gaze dropped to his frayed coat sleeve. In his craven fear of something that he dared not name even to himself and in his wretched need he remembered a night once before when he had sidled into town drunken and soiled to a luxurious room, a refreshing bath, clean linen and a welcome.

"You're the only one in the world I dared come to," he said miserably. "I've walked ten miles today, for I haven't a red cent in my pocket, nor even decent clothes," he ended.

"That can be partly remedied," said Harry after a pause. He took a dark coat from its hook and tossed it to him. "Put that on," he said. "You needn't return it."

Hugh caught the garment. In another moment he had exchanged it for the one he wore and was emptying the old coat's pockets.

"Don't sneak!" said Harry with sudden contempt. "Don't you suppose I know a deck of cards when I see it?"

The thin scar on Hugh's brow reddened. He thrust into his pocket the pasteboards he had made an instinctive move to conceal and buttoned the coat around him. It fitted sufficiently.

"Look here, Harry," he began, "you were a good fellow in the old days. I'm sorry I never paid you the money I borrowed. I would have but for—what happened. But you won't go back on me now, will you? I want to get out of the country and begin over again somewhere. Will you loan me the money to do it?"

Hugh was eager and voluble now. The man to whom he appealed was his forlorn hope. He had come with no intention of throwing himself upon his father's mercy. He had wished to see anybody in the world but him.

"If you will, I'll never forget it, Harry!" he cried. "Never, the longest day I live! I'll use every dollar of it just as I say! I will, on my honor!"

"Honor!" he said. "Have you enough to swear by? You are what you are because you are a bad egg. You were born a gentleman, but you choose to be a rogue. Do you know the meaning of the word honor or right or justice? Have you a single purpose of mind which isn't crooked?"

"You're just like the rest, then," Hugh retorted. "Just because I did that one thing you'll give me no more chance. Yet the first thing I did with that money was to square myself. I paid every debt of honor I had. That's why I'm in the hole now. But I get no credit for it, even from you. I wish you could put yourself in my place."

Harry had been looking steadily at the sallow face with its hoof print of the satyr, not seeing it, but hearing his own voice say to Jessica: "I was my brother's keeper. I see it now." And out of the distance, it seemed, his voice answered:

"Put myself in your place! I wish I could! I wish to God I could!"

The exclamation was involuntary, automatic, the cumulative expression of every throe of conscience Harry had endured since then, the voice of that remorse that had cried insistently for reparation, dinning in his ears the fateful question that God asked of Cain. Suddenly a whirl of rage seized him, unmeasured, savage, malicious. He had despised Hugh, now he hated him—hated him because he was Jessica's husband and, more than all, because he was the symbol of his own self abasement. A daredevil side of the old Satan Sanderson that he had chained and barred rose up and took him by the throat. He struck the oak wainscoting with his fist, feeling a red mist grow before his eyes.

"So you paid every 'debt of honor' you had, eh? You acknowledge a gamester's honor, but not the obligation of right action between man and man! Very well. Give me that pack of cards. You want money—here it is!"

(Continued Next Sunday.)

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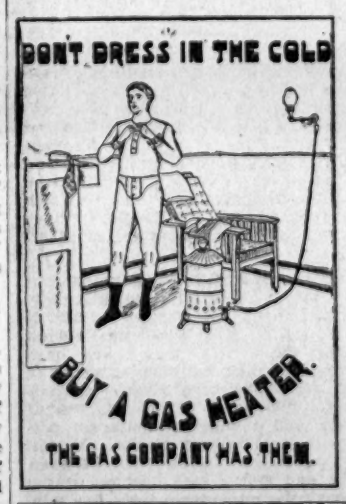

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 12.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Market, steady 38.

ROSIN—Market, steady $2.70 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Market, firm $1.70.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm $2.00 per barrel for hard; $3.00 for dip and $3.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine steady 43 3-4; rosin $2.70; tar steady $1.40; crude turpentine firm $2.00, $3.00 and $3.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	12
Rosin	5
Tar	190
Crude Turpentine	99

Receipts—Same day last year, 28 casks spirits turpentine; 164 barrels rosin; 326 barrels tar; 88 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 8 3-8 cents for middling.

Same day last year—Steady, 11 3-8 cents.

Receipts—1,531 bales, same day last year 2,607 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, December 12th.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina prime 65@75c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 80c; Virginia, prime 60@65c; extra prime 70@75c; Spanish, 75@80c.

CORN—Firm, 97 1-2c per bushel for white; 92 1-2@95 for mixed.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, old 17c, shoulders 11 @12 1-2c; sides 12 1-2c.

EGGS—Firm at 27c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull at 15@35c for large springs; growns, dull, 35c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5c per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c per pound on foot.

HIDES—Dr.flint, 10; green, dull 6c. per pound.

IRISH POTATOES—New 80 and 90c per bushel.

SWEET—POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel for yams.

WOOL—Free of burr, 15c; burry wool 10 to 21 1-2c.

TURKEYS—On foot 12 to 13c; 14 to 18c dressed. Good demand.

GEESE—Dull 50c per head; dressed 50c.

PORK—Good demand 6 to 8c; corn fed 8c.

THE COTTON MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 12.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of 4 to 7 points in response to steady cables and larger spinner takings for the week than expected, but eased off right after the call under renewed liquidation and local bear pressure, with prices selling back to within a point or two of last night's finals. The market was steadied later by covering for over the week-end but trading was quiet and there was only a slight rally.

The market closed steady with prices net 6 to 10 points higher.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 9.10; middling gulf 9.35; no sales. Futures opeend firm and closed steady.

Month	Open.	Close.
December	8.93	8.92
January	8.54	8.55
February	——	8.58
March	8.60	8.65
April	——	8.65
May	8.69	8.70
June	——	8.70
July	8.67	8.70
August	8.57-58	8.61
September	——	8.48
October	8.48	8.50

PORT MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Galveston—Steady, 8 13-16; net receipts 18,823; stock 270,370.

New Orleans—Steady, 8 3-4; net receipts 10,011; stock 289,135.

Mobile—Firm, 8 5-8, net receipts 1,720; stock 72,526.

Savannah—Quiet, 8 7-16; net receipts 10,068; stocks 152,324.

Charleston—Quiet, 8 3-8; net receipts 1,304; stock 30,085.

Wilmington—Quiet, 8 3-8; net receipts 1,531; stock 25,069.

Norfolk—Quiet, 8 13-16; net receipts 4,823; stock 51,297.

Baltimore—Nominal, 9; stock 30,084.

New York—Quiet, 9.10; net receipts 1,079; stock 111,911.

Boston—Quiet, 9.10; net receipts 356.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 9.35; net receipts 10; stock 5,635.

Total today, at all ports, net receipts 55,820; Great Britain 44,034; Continent 125; stock 1,096,474.

Consolidated, at all ports, net receipts 55,820; Great Britain 44,034; Continent 125.

Total since September 1st, at all ports, net receipts 5,369,642; Great Britain 1,506,072; France 517,584; Continent 1,654,387; Japan 50,217; Mexico 1,503.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Houston—Steady, 8 11-16; net receipts 15,004; stock 134,623.

Augusta—Steady, 8 7-8; net receipts 2,250; stock 99,405.

Memphis—Steady, 8 7-8; net receipts 4,160; stock 171,033.

St. Louis—Quiet, 9 1-8; net receipts 527; stock 35,644.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 565; stock 18,380.

Louisville—Firm, 9 1-8.

Little Rick—Quiet, 8 3-8; net receipts 1,315; stock 42,201.

Total today—Net receipts 23,821; gross receipts 33,573; shipments 31,340; sales 4,432; stock 502,291.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Liverpool, Dec. 12—Spot cotton dull prices 1 point higher. American middling fair 5.39; good middling 5.03; middling 4.87; low middling 4.67; good ordinary 4.16; ordinary 3.76. The sales of the day were 2,000 bales, of which 100 were for speculation and export and included 1,480 American. Receipts 36,100, all American.

Futures opened steady and closed barely steady. December 4.66 1-2; December and January 4.67; January and February 4.63 1-2; February and March; March and April; April and May; May and June 4.62; June and July 4.62 1-2; July and August 4.61; August and September 4.55; September and October 4.51 1-2; October and November 4.48 1-2; November and December 4.46 1-2; December and January 4.46; January and February (1910) 4.45 1-2.

THE DRY GOCDS MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 12.—The dry goods market closed quiet and fairly steady. Distribution is still large and reports indicate a growing consumption. Early holiday reports from retailers show a fair trade on progress. Linens are selling well in the primary market. Burlaps are a little firmer.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 12.—The few spots of positive strength in the stock market today were not sufficient to offset the effect of the general disposition to reduce commitments. There was discussion of the beneficial effect on railroad earnings to follow proposed advances in freight rates, but prices did not respond except in the case of New York Central which rose vigorously in face of the prevailing downward tendency. The advance in Pressed Steel Car recalled a rumor, circulated early in the week and officially denied, of an intended absorption by the United States Steel corporation. Other railroad equipment stocks moved in sympathy.

The greatest selling pressure centered on the metal group, especially American Smelting. Rumors of unsatisfactory earnings by that company were coupled with reports of a waning demand for copper and expectation of a renewed decline in the price of silver, already near to the lowest price of record. The immediate outlook in the money market was the principal topic for consideration. Expectation of a weak bank return was general, although it was known that the weekly statement would not appear until after the stock market was closed. A late rally in the market was due to intimation that the bank statement would show a loan contraction which would serve to conserve the surplus. A decline in the surplus was limited, in fact, to $3,272,150 in the averages.

The bond market was irregular, but a number of prominent issues made sudden advances. Total sales, par value, were $2,616,000. United States 2s registered advanced 1-2 per cent. on call. Total sales today were 544,500 shares.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 12.—Money on call nominal. Time loans firmer, sixty days 3 to 3 1-4 per cent. and ninety days 3 1-4 to 3 1-2 per cent., six months 3 1-2 to 3 3-4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 to 4 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange strong with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8485 to 4.8495 for sixty day bills and at 4.8705 to 4.8710 for demand. Commercial bills 4.84 5-8 to 4.84 3-4. Bar silver 48 3-4. Mexican dollars 45.

WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 12.—The statement of clearing house banks for the week shows that the banks held $16,899,625 more than the requirements of the 25 reserve rule. This is a decrease of $3,217,250 in the proportionate cash reserve as compared with last week. The statement follows: Loans $1,339,547,400, decrease $7,597,900; deposits $1,408,597,900, decrease $15,534,600; Circulation $46,489,000, increase $529,300; legal tenders $79,082,300, decrease $415,800; specie $289,966,800, decrease $6,740,000; reserves $369,049,100, decrease $7,155,800; reserve required $352,149,475, decrease $3,883,650; surplus 16,899,625, decrease $3,272,150; excess of United States deposits $19,19,800, decrease $3,171,900. The actual percentage of the clearing house banks today was 26.24. The statement of banks and trust company of Greater New York not reporting to the clearing house shows that these institutions have aggregate deposits of $1,123,055,300. Total cash on hand $108,123,800 and loans amounting to $1,030,876,000.

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. refunding 2s reg	103 1-4
U. S. refunding 2s cou	104
U. S. 3s reg	100 3-4
U. S. 3s cou	100 3-4
U. S. 4s reg	120 1-4
U. S. 4s cou	121
Amr. Tobacco Co. 6s	108 1-4
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	96
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	100 1-2
L. & N. Unified 4s	101 7-8
Seaboard Air Line 4s	68 1-2
Southern Railway 5s	108
U. S. Steel 5s	102 3-4

Closing Stock Lists.

Amalgamated Copper	83 1-2
Amr. Car & Foundry	47 3-8
Amr. Car & Foundry pfd	107
Amr. Cotton Oil Co.	42 3-8
Amr. Locomotive	56 3-4
Amr. Smelting & Ref.	88 1-4
Amr. Sm. & Ref. pfd ex div.	104
Amr. Sugar Refining	131 7-8
Amr. Tobacco pfd	92 1-4
Atchison	97 3-4
Atchison pfd	102
Atlantic Coast Line	110
Baltimore & Ohio	109 7-8
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	91 1-2
Chesapeake & Ohio	58 3-8
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	150 1-2
Colorado Southern	54 3-4
Erie	35 1-8
Erie 1st pfd	49 3-4
Erie 2nd pfd	40
Great Northern pfd	143 1-8
Kansas City Southern	37 3-4
Kan. City Southern pfd	66 1-2
L. & N.	122 1-2
Norfolk & Western	84
Northern Pacific	142 1-8
Pennsylvania	130 3-4
People's Gas	100 3-8
Reading	142 3-8
Rock Island Co.	23 7-8
Rock Island Co. pfd	59 5-8
Southern Pacific	120 3-4
Southern Pacific pfd	123 1-2
Southern Railway	25 3-8
Southern Railway pfd	59
Standard Oil	695
Union Pacific	183 3-8
U. S. Steel	54 1-2
U. S. Steel pfd	112 5-8
Va.-Car. Chemical	43 3-4
Va.-Car. Chemical pfd	113
Western Union	67 3-4
Westinghouse Electric Co.	88

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 12.—Flour receipts 27,640. Dull and unsettled. Minnesota 5.25 to 5.65; winter straights 4.60 to 4 80; winter patents 4.75 to 5.25.

Wheat—Spot barely steady. No. 2 red 1.07 to 1.08 1-2 elevator. Options 1-2c lower to 1-4c net higher. December 1.09 1-2; May 1.11 1-8; July 1.04 3-4

Corn—Spot easy; No. 2, 66 to arrive elevator. Options closed 1-8c higher. December 68; May 68 3-8; July 68 3-8; September 68 3-8.

Oats—Spot firm; mixed 55 to 55 1-2; natural white 56 to 58 1-2; clipped white 57 to 62 1-2.

Lard—Easy.

Pork—Dull.

Tallow—Firm.

Rice—Quiet.

Molasses—Firm; New Orleans, open kettle good to choice 28 to 42.

Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refining 3.36; centrifugal 3.86; molasses sugar 3.11; refined quiet 4.40. Confectioners A, 4.60; mould A, 5.15;; cut loaf 5.60; crushed 5.50; jowdered 4.10; granulated 4.80; cubes 5.05.

Coffee—Futures opened steady, closed steady net unchanged to 5 points higher. Spot quiet; No. 7 Rio 6 1-2 to 5-8; Santos No. 4, 7 7-8 to 8 1-8. Mild dull; Cordova 9 1-4 to 12 1-2.

Butter—Fancy creamery, scarce and firm; other grades slow and easy. Creamery specials 32 (official price 31 1-2) extras 31 to 31 1-2; third to first 22 to 30; western factory firsts 21 1-2 to 22.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Steadier at the decline; state Pennsylvania and nearby selected white 46 to 48; do fair to choice 40 to 45; brown and mixed fancy 36 to 38; do fair to choice 32 to 35.

Potatoes—Steady, unchanged.

Cabbages—Firm, unchanged.

Freights and Peanuts—Unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil was fairly active with prices easier under liquidation and bear pressure. Prime crude 29 1-2 to 30; prime summer yellow 38 to 38 1-2; prime white 38 1-2 to 41 1-2; prime winer yellow 44 to 48; off summer yellow 36 3-4 to 38; good off summer yellow 37 1-2 to 38 1-2.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Extreme nervousness characterized trading in the wheat pit on the local exchange today, prices fluctuating over a range of 1 1-8 to 1 5-8. The market, however, closed firm with prices up 1-4 to 3-8c compared with the previous close. Corn and oats closed firm and provisions closed steady.

Leading futures were as follows:

	Open	High	Close
Wheat.			
Dec.	1 00 3-8	1 01 1-8	1 01
May	1 05 1-2	1 06 3-8	1 06 1-8
July	97 5-8	98 5-8	98 3-8
Corn.			
Dec.	57 1-2	57 3-4	57 3-4
May	61	61 1-2	61 3-8
July	61 3-8	61 3-4	61 1-2
Oats.			
Dec.	49 7-8	50 5-8	50 3-8
May	52 3-8	52 7-8	52 1-2
July	47	47 3-4	47 1-2
Mess Pork, per bbl.			
Jan.	15 65	15 70	15 67 1-2
May	16 02 1-2	16 05	16.00
Lard, per 100 lbs.			
Jan.	9 15	9 15	9 12 1-2
May	9 37 1-2	9 37 1-2	9 35
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.			
Jan.	8 17 1-2	8 17 1-2	8 15
May	8 47 1-2	8 50	8 45

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, dull. No. 2 spring wheat 1.05 to 1.06 1-2; No. 3, 98 to 1.05. No. 2 corn 58 1-4 to 58 1-2; No. 2 yellow 58 1-2 to 58 3-4. No. 2 white oats 52 1-2; No. 3 white 50 3-4 to 52 1-2. No. 2 rye 76 to 77. Good feeding barley 58 to 60. Fair to choice malting 60 1-2 to 63 1-2. No. 1 flax seed 1.35 1-2 to 1.44; No. 1 northwestern 1.45 1-2. Prime timothy seed 3.40 to 3.50. Clover contract grades 9.40. Short ribs, sides (loose) 7.87 1-2 to 8.25. Mess pork, per bbl. 14.37 1-2 to 14.50. Lard, per 100 lbs. 9.10 to 9.12 1-2. Short clear sides (boxed) 8.62 1-2 to 8.75.

NAVAL STORES.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 12.—Rosin steady, trained common to good 3.25 to 3.30. Turpentine quiet 42 1-2c.

Charloston, S. C., Dec. 12.—Turpentine firm 38 1-2. Rosin firm. Quote: A. B. C. 2.95; D, 2.95; E, 2.97 1-2.

Savannah, Dec. 12.—Turpentine firm 38 1-2; sales 739; receipts 7660; shipments 827.

Rosin firm; sales 3,262; receipts 2,835; shipments 3,688; stock 152,040. Quote: BB, 3.00; D, 3.00; E, 3.05; F, 3.07 1-2; G, 3.07 1-2; H, 3.45; I, 4.15; K, 5.10; M, 5.80; N, 6.15; WG, 6.40; WW, 6.50.

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BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 12, 1908.

C. C. Railroad—141 bales cotton; 15 barrels tar; 4 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—165 bales cotton; 8 casks spirits turpentine; 17 barrels tar; 6 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—1,154 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 5 barrels rosin, 59 barrels tar, 81 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—21 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 67 barrels tar, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. Alice—32 barrels tar, 5 barrels crude turpentine.

Schr. Chauncey T—19 bales cotton.

Schr G. Moore—31 bales cotton.

Total—1,531 bales cotton, 12 casks spirits turpentine, 5 barrels rosin, 190 barrels tar, 9 barrels crude turpentine.

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Steamers.

Str. Langoe, (Br.) 2,466 tons, Nisbet, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Helena (Br.) 2,708 tons, Kelley, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Cardigan (Br.) 2,689 tons, Davis, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Valhalla, (Br.) 1,660 tons, Merryfield, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Horace P. Shares, 392 tons, Flynn, C. D. Maffitt.

Joel L. Cook, 319 tons, Loveland, C. D. Maffitt.

Millie R. Bohannan, 570 tons, Little, C. D. Maffitt.

Barges.

Flore, Little River, S. C., Hammer Lumber Co.

—There was a good deal of the canal's purchase price received by nobody knows whom. Before the Senate committee on oceanic canals Mr. Cromwell resisted every effort of the late Senator Morgan to draw such details from him. Upon just what basis the relations between the old and new canal companies rested the public has never learned. Twelve million dollars were paid by Mr. Cromwell to stockholders of the new canal company, three million dollars more remaining in the company's treasury when he testified; concerning the men or syndicates who received the twelve millions there is complete darkness. Very probably some speculative Americans—friends or clients of Mr. Cromwell—made big profits. These may have traded upon their supposed influence with the United States government; they may have used, without warrant, the names of Charles P. Taft and Douglas Robinson; they may have taken advantage of French canal securityholders by means which the American public cannot even guess. A resolution of inquiry is now pending in the House of Representatives. Perhaps there are good reasons why it should not pass, but at all events we should greatly like to know what became of those mysterious millions.—Charlotte Observer.

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LIVELY DEBATE IN CONGRESS

Some Matters Stir up Partisan Feeling in The House.

FIGHT WITH ROOSEVELT

To be Entered Into With Deliberation by Members—Special Committee in No Haste—Same Matter Before Senate.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 12.—The House of Representatives today was in its old time form. No particular programme had been mapped out, but under a call of committees several measures in which the members were especially interested, and in some cases vitally concerned, were considered. With few exceptions they engendered the liveliest sort of debate, and it was disclosed that the forces for or against them were fully lined up for the fray. Parliamentary tactics were freely resorted to, with the result that five times the roll was called.

The first wrangle occurred on a resolution fixing the boundary line between the States of Colorado, Oklahoma and New Mexico, which was adopted by a good majority, but not without two roll calls. The House then by a decisive vote refused to further consider the bill providing for arbitrary settlement of disputes between employers and employes.

Next turning attention to the bill providing for the protection of aliens in the United States the subject was threshed out at length. The measure had rough sailing and it was passed by a slim majority after the roll had been called twice.

It is evident that the House does not intend to take any hasty action in rebuking the President for the statements he made in his message regarding the action of Congress at the last session with reference to the Secret Service. The committee appointed yesterday, of which Mr. Perkins, of New York, is chairman, did not meet today, but is expected to come together on Monday. The understanding is, however, that no report will be made by the committee until the latter part of the week.

While the members of the select committee do not evince any desire to hasten their deliberations on the matter, they are determined to present their recommendations as to what action Congress should take on that portion of the message before adjournment is taken for the Christmas holidays.

The action to be taken by the Senate in asserting its displeasure because of President Roosevelt's message in regard to the Secret Service has not been outlined with any definiteness.

It was argued that as a Republican introduced a resolution in the House the selection of a Democrat for the same service in the Senate would give a non-partisan flavor to the course being pursued in Congress. Conferences today, however, developed that a number of the leaders believe the action should be taken by the Republican member of the Senate and it was suggested that Senator Burrows, chairman of the committee on privileges, would be the proper person to offer the resolution. Senator Burrows has not yet consented to do so.

EXPLOSION KILLED TEN

Giant Blast of Dynamite Goes Off Prematurely—Fearful Disaster.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Colon, Dec. 12.—A giant blast of dynamite, already prepared for firing, was prematurely exploded in the workings at Bas Obispo today. Ten men were killed and 50 injured. It may be that others have been killed, for the debris is piled up in all directions. Bas Obispo Cut is about thirty miles from Colon and the shock of the explosion was distinctly felt here, as in addition to that in the blast 22 tons of dynamite was exploded.

The holes had not been connected electrically as the discharge of the blast was set for five o'clock in the afternoon. The last hold was being loaded under the supervision of one of the most efficient powder men in the employ of the commission.

A passenger train had just passed when the explosion occurred, but it was not in any way damaged.

The majority of the victims are Spaniards.

It was also reported by the train men that the explosion was due to a passing steam shovel, which hooked the wire leading to the immense charge of dynamite. Whether or not this was the cause of the accident, a steam shovel and crew which happened to be on the scene were practically buried under the mass of rocks and earth thrown up.

MacFARLAND'S NEW RECORD.

Winner of International Six-Day Contest in New York.

Madison Square Garden, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Floyd MacFarland, the veteran bicycle racer of California, won the 16th International Six-Day Race for the team of MacFarland and Moran at Madison Square Garden tonight and set a new distance record.

Rutt, of the Rutt-Stol German-Holland team finished second, and Demara of the Demara-Hill combination, the former of California, and the latter of Boston, was third.

The final sprint of one mile which was between the representatives of these three teams, which were on equal terms as to distance covered, the others withdrawing to give them a clear track.

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GRIDIRON CLUB BANQUET

A Notable Gathering at the Annual Feast—Many Prominent Men Present—Political Events Are Caricatured.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 12.—The annual Fall dinner of the Grid Iron Club held at the New Willard tonight was made notable by the presence of a distinguished company of guests. An extended programme, devoted entirely to fun making made the night one long to be remembered.

The company was one that is only possible at the capital of the nation. The President, the Vice President, the President-elect and Vice President-elect, presidential possibilities of the future, Senators and Representatives without number, an English lord, diplomats of this and other countries, newspaper men whose names are known far and wide, captains of finance and industry and men of affairs generally were guests of the club and seated about the Gridiron-shaped table.

Following the recent national campaign the dinner was especially notable in the exceptional opportunity offered in supplying subjects for the merry-makers. There were many rollicking, turneful songs and jests that carried in their words no sting to irritate the distinguished guests to whom they referred.

In an unusual degree the souvenir of the dinner, a miniature steam roller, was unique. It drew particular attention to Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock, of the Republican National committee, who was one of the notable guests. The steam roller was a little bronze affair with the name "Taft" on the obverse and the Gridiron emblem on the reverse side.

The banquet hall at the New Willard was gorgeously decorated. President Roosevelt, President-elect William H. Taft, Vice President-elect Sherman, E. H. Harriman, the distinguished financier; Champ Clark, the new minority leader of the House of Representatives; Vice President Fairbanks and Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, were among the distinguished speakers of the evening, but a rule of the club prevents any report of their remarks.

One of the most delightful skits of the evening's entertainment was furnished by a roll call after the recent National political battle. The mournful tap of a drum was heard in the ante-room and there came marching in a battered and dilapidated troop. Their uniforms showed they had been on the firing line.

President Henry announced in solemn voice that the battle was over and that the slaughter had been terrific. The members of the troop answered to the roll call.

Sergeant Jim Watson was reported as "killed while riding to the front on the water wagon."

Private Charlie Landis "fell at Wason's side.

Private Charles G. Davis, "passed in his checks" and Private Frank Lowden was "shot in the pocket."

Corporal Norman E. Mack was reported as "buying the dead."

Corporal William J. Bryan was "among the missin."

Corporal Loeb was "in the hands of his friends."

Private Taft was reported present and Color Sergeant Hitchcock was announced as "here with the colors."

GUARDSMAN'S RESPONSIBILITY.

This Matter Declared by a Civil Judge of Illinois Courts.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Judge Kavanaugh in the Superior Court of Cook county, today rendered a decision of importance to National Guardsmen throughout the country as construing the extent of their responsibility for the taking of human life while on duty. The decision was rendered in the case of Joseph B. Helin, a private in the 1st regiment, I. N. G., who is under indictment for the killing of Earl Nelson at Kankakee last August.

The First Regiment, among others, was on its way to Springfield, when a race war was in progress. Acting as guard of a baggage car in which ammunition was stored, and under orders to allow no ununiformed person to enter, he stabbed Nelson with a bayonet when, according to his story to a court of inquiry, Nelson attempted to enter the car. Even then Helin stated, he had no intention of doing bodily harm to the alleged intruder. His indictment, however, charges that the "murder" was wilful and malicious. Helin applied to Judge Kavanaugh for liberty on a writ of habeas corpuus which the court, in a lengthy opinion, refused on the grounds that he did not have jurisdiction. The court held, however, that upon the facts as presented by Helin, even granting that the killing was not accidental, but in the execution of orders of a superior officer, no offense against the State had been committed. The soldier's responsibilities and his immunities, the court said, alike follow him from the time he falls into line at the point of mobilization until he returns home and ranks are broken.

Judge Kavanaugh explained that the court of inquiry which declared Helin guiltless could not be held to have placed the guardsman in jeopardy, since it could not punish for homicide. Helin's plea, therefore, that a trial in the criminal court at Kankakee would be placing him twice in jeopardy, was in error.

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TAFT CONSIDERING VISIT TO PANAMA

President-Elect's Journey Would Be Essential to Success of The Canal.

APPRORVED BY ROOSEVELT

Trip Would be Made Before His Inauguration—January is Month Suggested—Cabinet Selections Topic of Conference.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 12.—William H. Taft, president-elect, contemplates a visit to Panama before his inauguration. This visit is approved by President Roosevelt, and Secretary Root. While it has not been finally determined upon Mr. Taft announced tonight that it was his inclination to go. Should this be his final decision he will leave the port of Charleston, S. C., probably the last week in January for a trip which will occupy approximately twenty days.

There are many reasons, in Mr. Taft's view, why his trip to the Isthmust would be of decided advantage to the advancement of the canal project and consequently to the United States. President Roosevelt's visit proved a decided stimulus to the work; the three visits which Mr. Taft has made as Secretary of War all were of advantage; there are constantly arising and accummulating many minor tangles of administration and conflict of authority which the presence of the President or the President-elect might make possible of elimination with little difficulty. The journey, if made, would undoubtely be on one of the navy's ships and Mrs. Taft, who made the visit to Panama with Mr. Taft four years ago, would without doubt accompany him this time. The only objection to the expedition which has been pointed out by careful students of the laws and the constitution is that pending the official declaration of Mr. Taft as president-elect by the action of the electorial college and his inauguration as President there is no constitutional or legal provision for the substitution of any one else in the event of anything happening to him in Panama. This objection is not regarded as of sufficient weight to detain Mr. Taft from a journey which is regarded as essential to the success of the big enterprises of his administration.

The news of this trip followed a conference last night with President Roosevelt and today again at the White House at luncheon and later with Secretary Root with whom Mr. Taft spent most of the afternoon.

Further details of the Roosevelt-Root conference were not made known beyond the statement by Mr. Taft that the selection of his cabinet was thoroughly discussed. Mr. Taft said tonight that the interviews he had had yesterday and today with Senators Aldrich and Hale had led him to believe that the attitude of these two Senate leaders respecting tariff revision was decidedly favorable to the kind of a tariff bill he has been advocating. A conference with Senator Crane, of Massachusetts, also confirmed this view.

Mr. Taft leaves Washington tonight for New York. Mrs. Taft preceded the president-elect to New York, taking an afternoon train. He will there be the guest of his brother Henry W. Taft, and will remain there until Thursday, when he will go to Augusta, Ga., for several weeks.

MORE ARRESTS LIKELY.

Alleged Night Riders Give Evidence Against Men Not Suspicioned.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 12—Through the confession of another of the men held in connection with the night rider depredations at Reel Foot Lake, evidence was secured today which will lead to the arrest of men not even under suspicion heretofore, according to a statement from an authoritative source.

The identity of the man who has turned State's evidence cannot be learned, but it is stated that he told of the earlier raids, beginning with the burning of fish docks at Samburg in April.

One result of today's confession will be the release on $5,000 Monday of the Morgan brothers, wealthy men who have been under arrest several weeks.

Thirty-two indictments were returned today but no information as to their nature was made public. The prosecution announced that all evidence presented to the recent grand jury has now been reviewed by the present jury.

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TIE VOTE IN THE HOUSE

Broken by the Speaker's Vote After a Recapitulation Ordered—A Protest Made But Overruled. .. State Rights.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 12.—The question of State rights figured prominently in the debate in the House of Representatives today on the bill providing for the protection of aliens in the United States in accordance with treaties entered into with foreign powers. The bill is designed to relieve the United States from what was stated on the floor by Mr. Shirley to be "the embarrassing and often humiliating position arising from its inability to make good the obligations of its treaties for the protection of foreigners in this country."

The opponents of the measure practically were a unit in contending that the laws of the several States were ample to meet the situation whenever it presented itself.

Declaring himself against the multiplication of Federal offenses, Mr. Clayton said there was not an alien in the country who had not already a remedy in case he is injured or threatened.

After further discussion the bill was passed 100 to 99. The vote was so close that the Speaker ordered a recapitulation at the suggestion of Mr. Henry. This disclosed that the vote actually stood 100 to 100. The tie was broken by the vote of the Speaker in the affirmative, which again passed the bill. Mr. DeArmond, Missouri, challenged the Speaker's vote, on the ground that he had no right to cast it after the vote had been closed. He contended that the only duty of the Speaker in such a case was to announce the result of the recapitulation.

In an elaborate decision supported by precedents, which he read, the Speaker held that he had the absolute right to vote and he declared his vote would stand.

From the Speaker's decision Mr. DeArmond appealed, but in the meantime Mr. Jenkins moved to adjourn. On that proposition a roll call was forced resulting ayes 99, noes 95 and the House accordingly at 5:25 P. M. adjourned.

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